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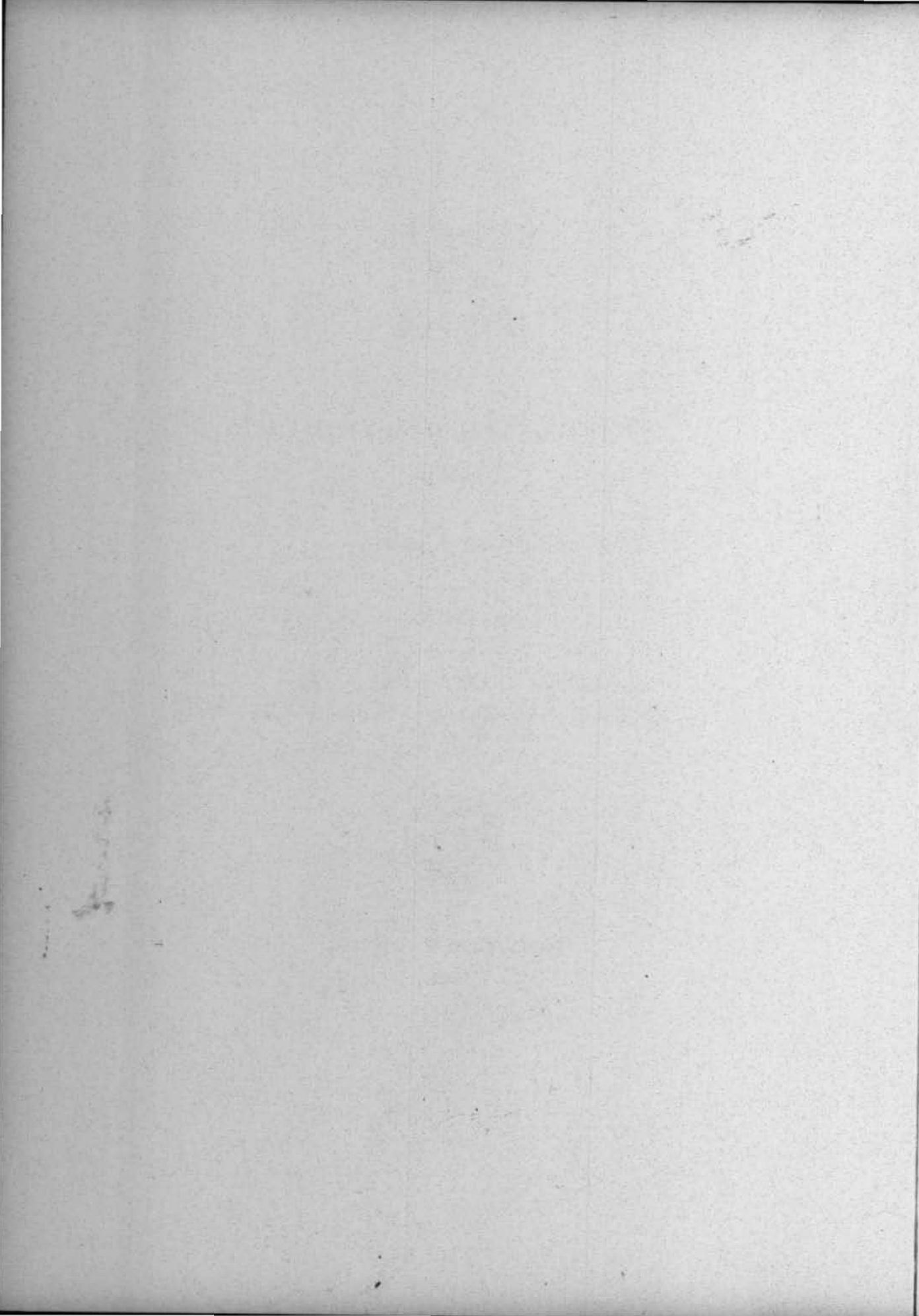
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The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins,	Governor
Ray E. Green,	Comptroller
J. Edwin Larson,	Treasurer
Richard W. Ervin,	Attorney General
Nathan Mayo,	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson,                      Director-Secretary

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The minutes of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund dated May 27, 1958, were presented and upon motion, duly adopted were approved.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were submitted for purchase of submerged land adjacent to upland property of applicants:

1. CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 177-08-253.12 - Grove City Realty Corp., represented by Leo Wotitzky, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lemon Bay in Sections 8 and 17, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, containing a total of 4.81 acres, more or less;
2. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 188-31-253.12 - Robert R. Duerden and wife, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less;
3. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 189-31-253.12 - Peter K. Pappas and wife, represented by Merriman, Boring & Sutherland, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less;
4. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 190-31-253.12 - Walter D. Van-Dusen, Inc., represented by Merriman, Boring & Sutherland, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less;
5. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 191-31-253.12 - Ayn D. Schwab and wife, represented by Merriman, Boring & Sutherland, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less;
6. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 192-31-253.12 - Gordon Lackey and wife, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.

Bulkhead lines for the foregoing six (6) applications have been established and recommendation was made that the land applied for in each be advertised for objections only.

7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 179-44-253.12 - Arthur E. Sieber and wife, represented by Billy Conner, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 21, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less;
8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 181-44-253.12 - Birge G. Darling and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, containing 0.51 of an acre, more or less;
9. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 182-44-253.12 - Thomas B. Lipe and John A. Grimaldi, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 24, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less;
10. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 183-44-253.12 - Carl Schaffer, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.65 of an acre, more or less;
11. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 184-44-253.12 - H. W. Haggard and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 2.50 acres, more or less;
12. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 185-44-253.12 - Daniel R. Smith and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.55 of an acre, more or less;
13. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 186-44-253.12 - Charles D. Dean and Gaines G. Dean, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less;
14. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 187-44-253.12 - Thomas H. Ward, Jr., and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.62 of an acre, more or less;
15. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 193-44-253.12 - Paul J. Heisler, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, containing 0.82 of an acre, more or less.

The Director recommended that the nine (9) Monroe County applications be advertised for objections only.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the fifteen (15) parcels of submerged land, subject to objections only, based on the offers submitted by the adjacent upland owners.



## MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 66-05-253.12 - Mr. Ferguson reported that on June 17, 1958, the Trustees agreed to advertise for objections only 5.9 acres of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 12, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, adjacent to upland owned by Orlando Utilities Commission, based on an offer of \$500.00 per acre.

Orlando Utilities Commission now requests permit to construct and maintain a mole or jetty extending 2000 feet into Indian River in front of the site of Orlando Power Plant, a municipal project. Mr. Ferguson stated that the plans for the structure had been studied by Dr. Per Bruun, Director of Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida, and that the Laboratory had recommended approval of the permit subject to certain modifications of applicant's plans. The Trustees' staff, after examination of the report by the Coastal Laboratory recommended issuance of said permit in accordance with the Coastal Laboratory's recommendation and in compliance with requirements adopted by the Trustees. Recommendation was also made that in lieu of surety bond, required by the rules and regulations applicable in such projects, the City of Orlando adopt a resolution assuring the Trustees that the said structure would be removed or modified in the event of failure as provided in the instructions adopted by the Trustees.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that in connection with advertisement for sale of the 5.9 acres of submerged land, notice be published of the intention of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to approve application of Orlando Utilities Commission for a permit to construct and maintain a mole or jetty to extend 2000 feet into the waters of the Indian River abutting the submerged area authorized advertised at the June 17 meeting; that such notice be furnished each property owner located within one thousand feet(1000) of the proposed structure.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Request was presented from Mrs. Helen Shotkin, holder of Contract No. 21196 dated May 7, 1956, for extension or deferment for payment on her purchase of 80 acres of land in Section 24, Township 51 South, Range 32 East, which payment was due May 7, 1958 in the sum of \$231.21. It was recommended that the extension to August 1, 1958, be granted without penalty other than the accrual of interest under the contract terms.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant the extension requested as recommended.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: L. W. Brennan, Realtor, on behalf of Alfred Y. Dubuque, grantee in Trustees' deed No. 20848, requested issuance of deed to correct an error in original deed carrying erroneous description of upland riparian to the parcel conveyed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of correction deed as recommended upon payment of \$10.00 handling charge.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: Lawrence Rogers, on behalf of L. M. Stevens, requested new deed to clarify legal description in Deed No. 20446 issued July 14, 1953 to Mr. Stevens, conveying 8.181 acres of reclaimed Lake Tohopekaliga bottom land adjacent to Government Lot 5 of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, owned by Mr. Stevens. It was explained that the 1953 deed was issued based on a map which complied strictly with the field notes of the U. S. Survey. Mr. Rogers stated that recent field surveys disclosed the East boundary of the Government lot to be approximately 44 feet longer than the 28 chains

(1848') shown on the U. S. survey. He asked that the point of beginning be described as 1848 feet, more or less, North of the Southeast corner of Section 22, which is the Northeast corner of Government Lot 5, rather than beginning 1848 feet North from the Southeast corner.

The Director recommended that new deed be granted to supersede the original deed, upon receipt of certificate from a title company evidencing present ownership, copy of the new survey and payment of the minimum handling charge of \$10.00.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of deed in favor of Mr. Stevens under the terms and conditions as recommended by the Director.

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BROWARD COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson requested consideration of two matters in connection with the application from the City of Fort Lauderdale viz:

- (a) Approval of the bulkhead line fixed by Ordinance No. C-1421 pursuant to Section 253.122 Florida Statutes of 1957, and
- (b) Parking Lot Fill, part of which area includes submerged lands already owned by the City and the City will also remain owner of submerged areas outward from the bulkhead line and parking lot.

The Attorney General advised that in the exchange of deeds and grant of easement for the revised location of the waterway, the Trustees' conveyance to the City should define that no filling shall be done by the city riverward from the area approved for the parking lot, nor riverward from the bulkhead line fixed by city ordinance No. C-1421, adopted June 3, 1958, and that said clause be a consideration in the deed for the parking area required from the Trustees.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees (a) formally approve the bulkhead line established by the City of Fort Lauderdale by Ordinance No. C-1421 dated June 3, 1958, and (b) that the deed of conveyance from the Trustees to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, should carry the restriction as outlined by the Attorney General to prohibit any filling riverward from the parking lot or from the bulkhead line.

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SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Request was presented from the Florida Board of Forestry that the Trustees concur in five-year grazing permits on the North portion of Munson Pasture, comprising 460 acres, and the South portion of Munson Pasture, comprising 180 acres. Notices of proposed permits have been published and examined and concurrence by the Trustees was recommended.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees concur in issuance of the grazing leases as proposed by the Board of Forestry.

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LEE COUNTY: On May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered application from H. H. Ford for quitclaim of accretion to remnant of Government Lot 7 of Section 11, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, which subject had been referred to the Attorney General March 25, 1958. Based on information available and the Attorney General's review thereof, the request was tentatively approved, subject to approval by the Governor. Subsequently adverse claim to the accretion was asserted and the office of the Attorney General feels that the matter should be indefinitely deferred for the problem to be resolved locally or in Court.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action of the Trustees May 27, 1958, on the request from Mr. Ford, be rescinded and the matter held in abeyance as suggested by the Attorney General's office.



PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 121-52-253.12 - At the meeting May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered sale of land applied for by James T. Humphries, Jr., represented by John C. Polhill, and also request for approval of the bulkhead line, both having been approved by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority. The land applied for was described as a parcel of submerged lands in the vicinity of "The Narrows", Indian Rocks South Shore, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, containing 1.51 acres, more or less. Action of the Trustees on that date was to deny the application to purchase and approval of the bulkhead line.

Mr. Polhill was present and requested that the Trustees reconsider his client's application and submitted plats and photographs showing the area, also a letter from James A. Roesler, Mayor of Indian Rocks South Shore, approving and endorsing the bulkhead line and sale covered by the application of Mr. Humphries; that no protests were filed to either the sale or the bulkhead line when it came up for hearing in Pinellas County and all information is that the development will be beneficial to the community and the public.

In discussing the application the Trustees took the position that until the County established a bulkhead line for the entire area they would not be disposed to approve any sales; also that "The Narrows" was a very critical point owing to the waterway being so narrow in that locality and any further encroachment out into the water would further complicate matters.

Mr. Polhill called attention to the fact that the bulkhead and sale had been approved by the County Authority and since it was quite expensive to go through the process again they urged that this particular area be approved; that the County was in process of establishing the bulkhead line for the whole area.

Mr. Polhill was advised that it would not be necessary for his client to have the bulkhead line re-established since it had already been established by the County Authority, but it was desirable that the line be fixed for the entire area before any further sales were approved.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the Trustees have an appraisal made May 14, 1958, giving a value of \$500.00 for this property, which price applicants agreed to pay; that the property is mangrove and of the character of submerged land; that the recommendation from the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority was for approval of the bulkhead line and sale of the submerged land and request was being made for disposition of the recommendations.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees withhold decision as to sale of the land and approval of the bulkhead line until an area-wide bulkhead line has been established.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Senator Newman C. Brackin of Crestview, and Attorney James W. Middleton of Fort Walton, came before the Trustees with request that a parcel of land owned by the State on Santa Rosa Island be quitclaimed to Santa Rosa Island Authority for park and recreational purposes.

In a discussion of the proposal it was brought out that the United States holds an easement from the state for spoil purposes and applicants asked that said easement be released to Okaloosa County.

Governor Collins stated that the Trustees should request Mr. Wallis to check the old map and ascertain, (1) what portion of the area the Trustees have title to (2) what conveyance could be made with adequate assurance that its use would be for public park purposes and not subject to development for private interests.

Senator Brackin stated that if the Trustees would convey the land to the County they would agree to spend at least fifty thousand dollars in development on the island within one year.

Attorney General Ervin expressed a willingness to vote for use or dedication of the area for public recreation purposes, and if it could be coordinated with the private development but not a part of it, it might be worked out, otherwise the land should be sold for full value at competitive bidding.

Without a definite proposal including description of the area desired, the Trustees referred the subject to the Attorney General and Mr. Wallis, the Engineer, for investigation and study, with report to be made if possible at the July 15th meeting. It was so ordered.

Senator Brackin stated that he went before the Island Authority and felt sure that they had adopted a resolution dedicating the area held by said Authority as a public park, and that a copy of said resolution would be furnished the Trustees.

The Director requested formal approval of action taken by three members on June 18, 1958, authorizing payment from Trustees' funds, not in excess of fifteen thousand dollars, for equipping quarters of the First District Court of Appeal in the State Supreme Court Building, Tallahassee.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve action taken June 18, authorizing payment for equipment for the Court of Appeal quarters.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of warrant in amount of \$10,000.00 as participation by the Trustees in Cooperative Agreement for Topographic Mapping as provided by Section 373.012, Florida Statutes 1957, said allocation to be for the fiscal year July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959.

JOINT MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND  
TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

LAND -- MANSION BUFFER & CAPITOL CENTER

A delegation consisting of Mayor Davis Atkinson, City Manager Arvah Hopkins, City Auditor and Clerk George C. White, City Attorney James Messer, and Commissioners Mayo, Summitt, and Williams, appeared before the Board for a discussion of acquisition of land for a buffer zone around the Executive Mansion and exchange of City owned land for State owned land in the Capitol Center.

Mayor Atkinson advised the Board that subsequent to an informal conference between City Officials and Cabinet Members, the City has obtained an option on seven parcels of land surrounding the Mansion and is prepared to proceed with the purchase. The property is as follows:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Appraisal</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
J. R. Harris	336,800.00	\$40,000.00
Hoseley Collins	30,985.00	35,000.00
Mrs. Brock Wilharm	63,250.00	80,000.00
R. A. Gray	40,000.00	30,000.00
Peyton Yon	48,680.00	47,500.00
George Gwynn Estate	48,250.00	75,000.00
E. L. White	46,875.00	45,000.00

It is understood that the State will pay the appraised price and the City will pay the difference between the appraisal and the purchase price. Payment for the State's part of the purchase would be made by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and title would be placed in the Trustees.

The Attorney General advised the Board and City Officials that he felt more study should be given the matter; that he is opposed to purchase of the Gwynn property at this time and felt that it is not necessary to the buffer zone area. He stated that he desired to know exactly what the City proposes to do regarding property near the Capitol Center, known as Smokey Hollow, and wanted a definite commitment as to their participation in the acquisition of other property in the Capitol Center, and suggested a Resolution by the City setting forth details of the plan for this area, as well as the Mansion buffer area. Mayor Atkinson advised him that the City has submitted a workable plan to the Federal Government regarding Smokey Hollow, but no action has yet been taken.

The City presented a plan for exchange of State owned land located in the block bounded by Gaines, Bloxham, Adams and Duval Streets, consisting of four parcels of land, for City owned property located in the block west of Meridian and north of St. Augustine Streets and the South West Corner of Duval and St. Augustine Streets. It was proposed that the City finance an office building on the block first described after the exchange of the property, for rental to the State until the building is paid for, at which time it will become property of the State. The building would be constructed according to plans and specifications approved by the State, and the City would act as an agent only. The property owned by the State in this area is valued at \$122,750.00 and by the City at \$129,950.00.

The matter was referred to a sub-committee of the Cabinet, consisting of the Attorney General, Comptroller, and State Treasurer to work with the City regarding exchange of property, development of plans for construction, financing, and ultimate acquisition of title by the State.

Motion was made by the Treasurer, seconded by the Comptroller and adopted that the City proceed with purchase of property in the buffer zone, with the exception of the George H. Gwynn Estate property, and that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund take title to said land and make such payments as are necessary to complete the transaction. The Attorney General voted "No" on this motion and stated his reasons for thus voting. This was taken as a joint action by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.

Joint session concluded.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 694 listing five (5) regular bids for purchase of land under Chapter 18296 and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding to said report.

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LEVY COUNTY: Judge Wallace E. Sturgis, representing a group from Ocala and Gainesville, presented a request that the Trustees take legal action to set aside Levy County Deed No. 265 issued to Charles Phillips September 3, 1957, which deed included Blocks 1 to 13, Suwannee Terrace, for the reason that the taxes were paid on acreage and the lots were doubly assessed and sold for taxes in 1931 and 1933. Judge Sturgis stated that the owners have paid the taxes on acreage and were not aware of the assessment by lots, or that the property had been certified to the State under Chapter 18296.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the purchaser under the Murphy Act deed was notified of the circumstance and the offer made to refund amount paid, but no response had been received.




Judge Sturgis was advised that it had not been determined that action lies on behalf of the Trustees, but the suggestion was made that the sale might be declared void on the ground that the land should not have been certified as coming to the State under the Murphy Act and refund offered grantee in said Deed No. 265; that it was doubtful if the Trustees had a cause for action to set aside the conveyance as it appeared the real party plaintiff would be the owners of the realty.

The Trustees directed that the matter be further investigated and placed on the agenda for the next meeting with a summary of the facts and recommendation as to necessary action.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 8, 1958

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Present:	LeRoy Collins,	Governor
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	J. Edwin Larson,	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin,	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo,	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson,	Director-Secretary
W. Turner Wallis,	Engineer

LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

OBJECTIONS ONLY

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 81-44-253.12 - On May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Floyd Lamb, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida South of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds, containing 1.03 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and the Director reported than an objection had been filed to the sale by W. C. Shannon. Recommendation was made that action be deferred and Mr. Lamb be notified of the protest anticipating that the differences might be worked out.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the sale applied for by Mr. Lamb.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 75-44-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Flor-Mich, Inc., abutting upland owners, represented by Bernice P. Berg, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land located in Section 18, Township 59 South, Range 41 East, Key Largo, and more particularly described by metes and bounds, containing 4.55 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$150.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of Flor-Mich, Inc.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 128-44-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from Busch Building Corporation, abutting upland owners, represented by Dubbin, Blatt & Schiff, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in Bonefish Bay, lying between Crawl Key No. 3 and Fat Deer Key in Sections 4 and 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, more particularly described by metes and bounds, containing 1.5 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$100.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of Busch Building Corp., abutting upland owners.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 129-44-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from George W. R. Andrade, abutting upland owner, represented by G.A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sections 28, 29 and 30, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, more particularly described as starting from a point of intersection of the East line of said Section 30 and the center line of the Overseas Highway, thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 23.5 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$100.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of George W. R. Andrade, abutting upland owner.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 145-44-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from E. A. Strunk, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by W. Curry Harris, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in

Bogie Channel, lying Easterly of and adjacent to a part of the Virgil S. Lowe Subdivision on Big Pine Key, said subdivision being in a part of Government Lot 4, Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, more particularly described by metes and bounds, containing 2.75 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$200.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of E. A. Strunk and wife, abutting upland owners.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 146-44-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from H. Ramos, et al., abutting upland owners, represented by W. Curry Harris, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in Bogie Channel, lying Easterly of and adjacent to a part of the Virgil S. Lowe Subdivision on Big Pine Key, said subdivision being in a part of Government Lot 4, Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, and also lying easterly of and adjacent to a part of the "Hotel Site" of Southern Pines Subdivision, and further described by metes and bounds, containing 4.17 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$200.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of H. Ramos, et al., abutting upland owners.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 78-50-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$582.00 per acre from Palm Cove Marina Corp., abutting upland owners, represented by George S. Brockway, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth, Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting Lot 7, Gale Lake Worth Plat No. 1, containing 0.182 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer at the rate of \$582.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of Palm Cove Marina Corp., the abutting upland owner.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 144-50-253.12 - May 27, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$582.00 per acre from Henry Moser, Inc., abutting owner, represented by George S. Brockway, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, more particularly described as beginning at a point of intersection of the east right of way line of Flagler Drive and the South line of Lot 10, Block "A", North Shore Terrace, Plat 4, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 1.309 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.



Description of the land was called out and the Director submitted the following protests to the sale:

1. Marco Casale and John Gilperti, West Palm Beach, who own homes 100 feet North of the property advertised for sale, protest on the ground that filling will be detrimental to the municipal park and boat launching ramp; will depreciate values of expensive homes in that area; will affect U. S. designated bulkhead lines and navigation; will create stagnant coves, destroy navigation and be contrary to the public interest.
2. Fred O. Allen of West Palm Beach protested on the ground that the fill would cause collection of debris to be deposited on the beach in front of his property and would be an abuse of the discretion vested in the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.
3. Phil O'Connell of West Palm Beach, on behalf of Margaret S. Daly protested on the ground that the sale would interfere with use of property in the future and would contribute to destruction of the shore line in that area.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the staff had examined the protests in relation to the proposed sale and did not feel that the objections should be sustained. Recommendation was that the sale be approved.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections filed and confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Henry Moser, Inc., at the price offered - \$582.00 per acre.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 68-31-253.12 - Charles R. and Robert E. Beesley, represented by Vocelle & Vocelle, offered the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 31, Township 30 South, Range 39 East, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less;
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 180-44-253.12 - F. P. Sadowski, represented by Dubbin, Blatt & Schiff, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Shelter Key, containing 0.73 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertised for objections only the two parcels of land described - Indian River and Monroe Counties - based on the offers submitted.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 148-56-253.12 - 98.58 acres, and File No. 149-56-253.12 - 15.52 acres  
M. A. Ramsey, representing Fort Pierce Port & Terminal Company and Causeway Trailer Court, Inc., made request on behalf of his clients that the Trustees consider statements from Charles S. Jewett of Vero Beach, and L. W. Halbe of Fort Pierce, each having made independent appraisals of the land covered by the two applications.

Mr. Ferguson reviewed action taken by the Trustees May 27th, directing that an appraisal be made on behalf of the Trustees, and pending report from such appraiser that the land applied for, totaling 114.10 acres, more or less, in Section 2, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, be advertised for objections only; the price to be agreed upon after receipt of new appraisal.

Mr. Jewett submitted a written appraisal, giving the value of the land as \$66.67 per acre, and outlining the method used in fixing such appraisal. He urged that the Trustees give all possible cooperation to the developers.

Mr. Halbe also submitted a written report on the 3 tracts of land and gave an appraised value of \$100.00 per acre. In said report he analyzed the relative values in that area after making careful examination and study of the property, and stated that he did not believe any developer could pay more than \$100.00 per acre for the land and make the necessary improvements.

The Attorney General asked that the applicants prepare a resume of the statements made by the two appraisers and submit to the Trustees for study.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the applicants had requested that the state's appraiser, Mr. Carl Gosbee, be present today and justify the value of \$740.00 per acre that he placed on the land, but this was not done as he, Mr. Ferguson, had no authority to make such request without approval from the board.

Without objection, no action was taken on the application and the Director was requested to contact Mr. Gosbee and ask that he outline his reasons for the appraisal furnished in justification of the value placed on the property.

Action was also deferred on request for approval of the bulkhead line established by the County and City.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

DADE COUNTY: Eagle Stevedores, Inc., holder of Contract No. 21636 dated December 16, 1957, requested approval for assignment of said contract in favor of Eagle Tire Company, to become effective June 14, 1958. The assignee has executed acceptance of all provisions of the purchase contract and the account is in good standing.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees indicate approval of the assignment for record in the minutes.

DADE COUNTY: H. G. Lofton, holder of Contract No. 20730 (1955) involving 63.7 acres in Section 3, Township 58 South, Range 38 East, requested extension of time for bringing his account up to date and also for extension of his ninth (9th) payment due July 22, 1958. Applicant paid the sum of \$2000.00 June 30, 1958, leaving an unpaid balance of \$4,152.97 as of July 29, 1958. Total contract price was \$23,125.50.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant extension requested to November 1, 1958, for making payment due July 29th on Contract No. 20730.

MANATEE COUNTY: A delegation representing the Town of Holmes Beach requested action on

- (a) Bulkhead lines fixed by the Town of Holmes Beach by Ordinance No. 61 dated November 26, 1957, amended by Ordinance No. 65 adopted January 21, 1958, pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122 Florida Statutes, 1957; and
- (b) Proposed purchase by E. E. and D. B. Cameron and J. S. Brody of submerged lands granted in 1955 by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to the State Road Department for State Road No. 64.

Mr. Ferguson reported that on April 8, 1958, the Director and Staff recommended approval of the bulkhead lines fixed and submitted except the unit which involved the right of way of State Road No. 64, it being felt that the 1957 Act did not contemplate the location of bulkhead lines within public state road rights of way for private extensions. At that meeting Mayor Carl F. Scott suggested that action on bulkhead lines be deferred. The April 8th recommendation of the Director and Staff stands; that in the event of reconveyance or release of the state road right of way, the Director and Staff did not recommend approval of either the bulkhead line for that area, or sale of the released portion of right of way to Messrs. Cameron and Brody.

Albert L. Rogero, State Road Board member from the Manatee County area, and Ross H. Stanton, Jr., resident attorney for the State Road Department, were present and stated that the release to the Trustees had been issued by the Road Department for all except 200 feet of the right of way. A sketch was submitted showing the right of way released and the proposal from Cameron and Brody for development of the area to provide motel facilities and a public park. Mr. Stanton explained that the agreement with Cameron and Brody provided for payment to the Road Department of \$35,000.00, donation of certain upland, and construction of access roads leading from State Road No. 64 to the motel and park areas, provided the Trustees would approve sale of the released area to said Cameron and Brody as applied for.

Mr. Rogero and Mr. Stanton, as representing the State Road Department; Mr. Carl F. Scott, representing the Town of Holmes Beach, and Mr. Dewey A. Dye, representing Cameron and Brody, all urged that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line for the entire area, the proposed release of a portion of the State Road right of way, and the proposed purchase by Cameron and Brody of the submerged area released by the State Road Department. The over-all plans worked out over the past several years were explained and pointed out on maps submitted.

Attorney General Ervin expressed the view that release of the road right of way for private development was a departure from the rules and policies in effect during the time he was connected with the department and since that time so he had understood; that he thought the right of way should be retained and beautified as parks for use of the public if not required for right of way.

The delegation pointed out that publicity had been given to all plans, hearings had been held and no objections had been interposed; to the contrary the program has been approved by all interests in the area; that the County Commissioners have been consulted and have no objections to the plans.

The Trustees raised serious objections to the bulkhead line as established and suggested certain modifications for consideration of the applicants and other owners.

All interested parties having been heard and the members of the board having expressed their individual views, the Governor called for a vote as to whether or not the requests submitted should be approved by the Trustees, and asked that those favoring the proposal vote "Aye", and those opposed vote "No".

The vote was as follows:

Comptroller Ray E. Green voted "No";  
State Treasurer J. Edwin Larson voted "Aye";  
Attorney General Ervin voted "No";  
Commissioner of Agriculture Mayo voted "No"; and  
Governor Collins voted "No".

The Governor stated that the application was rejected by a vote of 4 negatives and 1 affirmative.



Governor Collins requested the Trustees' staff to confer with the applicants and try to work out a bulkhead line that will comply generally with the principles expressed during the discussions; that until that has been done he would not feel disposed to approve any part of the bulkhead line.

Mr. Rogero expressed the opinion that the Trustees were making a mistake in denying the people in that area a valuable development and refusing Cameron and Brody the right to fill out the same as adjoining owners; that it would mean a considerable saving to the State Road Department.

The Governor advised Mr. Rogero that the Trustees were not denying applicants the right to build out from their property line as the submerged land adjoining is owned by the state for highway purposes and the original purchasers had knowledge of the thousand foot right of way.

Attorney General Ervin suggested that if the Road Department finds the right of way is excessive, that it be released to the Trustees.

Mr. Stanton stated that if the area released to the state is not made firm land the Road Department would request that the deed reconveying a portion of the right of way to the state be returned to the Road Department.

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MARION COUNTY: W. P. Crosby, owner of the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Government Lot 1 and Government Lots 2 and 3 of Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 25 East, requested disclaimer of a parcel of land lying North of said Lots 1 and 2. It was explained that the parcel covered by this request and as shown on the dependent Re-Survey by the United States in 1928 was not included in the original U. S. Survey of 1835, which original survey described Lots 1 and 2 as being bounded on the North by Lake Kerr.

The records were checked for verification of the statements made and it was recommended that the request be granted.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer in favor of Mr. Crosby for the minimum handling charge of \$10.00.

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MONROE COUNTY: Request was submitted from F. P. Sadowski, holder of Contract No. 21659, asking for approval of assignment of said contract to The Shamrock Restaurant, Inc. Executed copy of assignment, with acceptance by the assignee of all obligations and terms, has been furnished the Trustees.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the assignment requested be approved by the Trustees.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Mr. J. H. Klinck, City Engineer and Mr. Egbert Deall, City Attorney, came before the board asking that the Trustees relieve the City of any payment in connection with those matters where the city had assumed the obligation for the transfer of title to the upland owner of riparian sovereignty lands as part of the consideration for street and sewer rights of way to be conveyed by said owners along Flagler Drive.

The case involved in this particular application was that of E. S. Chepens, and request was made that his parcel be in the same category as others similarly situated, one of which was the French application. Mr. Ferguson explained that at the March 25-26, 1958, meeting, the Trustees had agreed on a handling charge only for areas between the shore and the

Drive and that outward from the Drive would require payment of \$850.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 for any deed; that in the present request he would suggest that the city secure agreement from all other owners in that area that they would not request deeds for areas outward from the Drive for the mere handling charge; that it would not be desirable to establish an unfortunate precedent.

Representatives of the City of West Palm Beach explained the agreements entered into between the City and riparian owners in that area and the costs incurred in the improvement program.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees refer the request to the Director and the Engineer to work out some proper adjustment with the City.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Mr. Egbert Beall, City Attorney for West Palm Beach, submitted an application involving property owned by the Good Samaritan Hospital and an agreement worked out whereby the City would receive right of way for relocating a city street and the Trustees would be requested to convey to the hospital a strip between the bulkhead line and the hospital property.

The Director explained that this application had not been submitted to the Trustees' staff and no recommendation nor information could be furnished at this time. No action was taken on the request pending receipt of application for study by the Staff.

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**LEON COUNTY: CAPITOL CENTER PROPERTY** - Mrs. Ethel Hawes requested renewal for one year of her lease No. 1063-A on Lots 254 and 258 Original Plan of Tallahassee, with rental payment of \$150.00 per month. The lease is subject to termination by either party upon 90 days written notice.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees renew the lease for one year as requested upon the same terms and conditions.

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Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Director be authorized to purchase Aerial Ownership maps for Manatee and Sarasota Counties at a total cost of \$551.00. It was so ordered.

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As information for the record:

At the meeting April 29, 1958, the Trustees agreed to advertise for sealed bids the oil and gas interest of the Trustees in certain land in Collier and Lee Counties. Applicant, Humble Oil and Refining Company, has since withdrawn the request and agreed to pay any advertising costs incurred.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 695 listing five (5) regular bids for purchase of land under Chapter 18296, and issuance of Dade County Deeds No. 1682-Cor., and No. 1774-Cor., for the purpose of correcting grantee's name in each deed from "Hialeah Realty Co., A Florida Corporation", to "Hialeah Realty Co., Inc., A Florida Corporation".

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**ALACHUA COUNTY:** Request was presented from the State Road Department for road right of way easements as follows:

State Road No. S-346 - Sec. 2665-150 - SRD 34-R -  
That part of E $\frac{1}{2}$  of E $\frac{1}{2}$  of S $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, lying within 40 feet of the survey line of said road, containing 0.883 of an acre;

SRD No. 22-R - That part of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 30, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, lying within 40 feet of the survey line of said road, containing 1.893 acres, exclusive of existing road right of way;

SRD No. 43-R - That part of "S 80 acres of E-2/3 of W $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Section 28, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, lying within 40 feet of the survey line of said road, containing 1.417 acres, more or less, exclusive of existing road right of way;

SRD No. 41-R - That part of W-1/3 of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, lying within 40 feet of the survey line of said road, containing 0.970 of an acre, more or less;

State Road S-346-A - Sec. 2669-150 - SRD No. 10-R - That part of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, lying within 40 feet of the survey line of said road, containing 0.606 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of easements in favor of the State Road Department as requested.

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LEVY COUNTY: On July 1, 1958, Judge Wallace E. Sturgis requested that legal action be taken by the Trustees to set aside Murphy Act Deed No. 265, issued to Charles Phillips September 3, 1957, as to Blocks 1 to 13, inclusive, Suwannee Terrace, on the ground that the taxes were paid on the land as acreage and the lots were doubly assessed and sold for taxes in 1931 and 1933. As a result the lots were certified to the state in 1939.

The file was examined by the Attorney General's office and double assessment verified. Mr. Phillips was offered refund of amount paid upon receipt of quitclaim deed but has not accepted the offer.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees officially offer refund of the purchase price for the said lots in accordance with the Statute, title under the Murphy Act having failed.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Messrs. J. H. Klinck, City Engineer, and Egbert Beall, City Attorney, for the City of West Palm Beach, requested review of action taken April 22nd, with reference to release of Public Purpose Clause in deed conveying 1525 Murphy Act lots in Palm Beach County Deed No. 01-Ch.21684. The Trustees tentatively agreed on release upon payment of \$30,000.00 and upon adoption of resolution by the City agreeing to use receipts from sale of the land for public recreational facilities. Resolution No. 45-58 was adopted June 25, but subsequent thereto a second resolution was adopted requesting release of all lots at the Easterly end of the area for extension of Georgia Avenue as an additional North-South arterial street to relieve congestion on U. S. Highway No. 1.

Based on recommendation from the Director, motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to modify action taken April 22, 1958, and allow the City of West Palm Beach to dedicate lots or portions of lots for public street purposes in that area, the pro-rata cost of such lots to be deducted from the \$30,000.00 payment to be made for release of the public purpose clause.

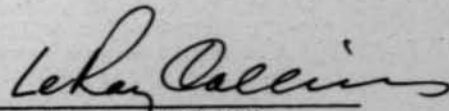
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Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaimer of the state's interest in Polk County

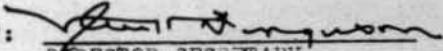


Certificates 1808 of 1918 and 2174 of 1920, the Attorney General's office having advised that said certificates vested no title in the State to the lands covered thereby.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 15, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green,	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson,	Treasurer
	Nathan Mayo,	Commissioner of Agriculture
	Van H. Ferguson,	Director-Secretary
	W. Turner Wallis,	Engineer

The minutes of the Trustees dated April 8 and June 3, 1958, having been presented to each member, after approval by the Attorney General, were approved without objection.

#### APPLICATIONS TO LEASE AND PURCHASE LAND

LEE COUNTY: Humble Oil and Refining Company applied for a ten-year oil and gas lease covering the mineral interests of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund in the following described land:

##### Fee Simple Interest:

Township 46 South, Range 26 East:  
Section 2 - North Half of Northwest Quarter, or  
Government Lots 3 and 4 - 80.22 acres:

##### Reserved Interest:

Township 46 South, Range 27 East:  
Section 27 - South Half, less Northwest Quarter  
of Southwest Quarter and less North-  
east Quarter of Southeast Quarter

240.00 acres.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the lease advertised for sealed bids based on the offer of royalty payments of not less than one-eighth in kind or in value and the amount of fifty cents (50¢) per acre annual rental increasing five percent (5%) of such original amount annually after the first two years.

**MONROE COUNTY:** The following applications were submitted by G. A. Crawshaw on behalf of clients who are abutting upland owners:

1. File No. 196-44-253.12 - James C. Pelekis offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 6.4 acres.
2. File No. 197-44-253.12 - Rimersburg Coal Co., offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Card Sound in Section 31, Township 58 South, Range 41 East, containing 22.85 acres.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the two parcels of land advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted by the abutting upland owners.

**ORANGE COUNTY:** Thomas B. McGowan submitted an offer of the appraised price of \$20.00 per acre for purchase of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 31, Township 24 South, Range 27 East, containing 40 acres. Applicant proposes to develop for personal use the land which was described by the appraiser as being swampy and accessible only by rough sand trail.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the land advertised for competitive bids starting at \$20.00 per acre.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

**GULF-CALHOUN COUNTIES:** Mr. Cecil G. Costin, Jr., accompanied by a delegation from the two counties, submitted request from Dead Lakes Water Management District for a loan of \$100,000.00 in order to match an appropriation from general revenue fund of \$100,000.00 authorized by Chapter 57-423, Acts of 1957, said funds to be used for construction of a dam in the Dead Lakes. The District was created by Chapter 57-1115, Acts of 1957, and provided for a levy of one mill tax and the issuance of certificates of indebtedness.

Mr. Ferguson stated that certain requirements of the act had not been complied with and no evidence had been furnished the Trustees as to construction of the proposed State Road which appeared to be an integral part of the development. The District proposes to repay the loan from proceeds of fishing license sales; that a prospectus from the State Department of Water Resources sets forth that "if the dam is constructed after the State Road Department bridge is completed, so that the bridge could be used during construction, the cost of the dam will be materially less than present estimates". The Director recommended that consideration of the loan be deferred until bridge and road contract are let and under construction and that the revised cost of the dam be the basis of any further consideration; that the District furnish a report concerning its organization and that any loan be considered on the basis of repayment from the one-mill levy authorized by the legislature.

The delegation explained the advantages to be derived from construction of the dam and the loss in revenue from fishing licenses owing to lowering of the water level caused to a

certain extent by construction of Woodruff dam. The District proposed that the loan be repaid at the rate of \$10,000.00 annually.

The three members present expressed interest in the project but felt that any loan should be secured by the one-mill tax and not from fishing licenses alone.

Without objection, the delegation was advised that the request would be taken up with the Governor and the Attorney-General and brought up for further consideration at the meeting July 22, 1958.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Mrs. Katherine Waggaman, holder of Lease No. 531-A requiring annual rental of \$2,122.62, requested an extension to November 15, 1958, for making payment due July 10th. A check for \$1,000.00 was received to apply on said amount. It was recommended that the extension be allowed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize deferment to November 15, 1958, for paying balance due on July 10th rental on Lease 531-A.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Richlands, Inc., holder of lease No. 728 dated July 1, 1950, expiring June 30, 1960, requested extension for renewal. Current rental - \$11,726.96 annually.

The Director reported that a professional appraiser and the Chief Engineer had made a thorough study of the project and submitted a report on the present market value of land and improvements, recommendation as to best use of the property and determination of proper new rental. Recommendation was made that prior to any renewal consideration be given to the report; also requirement for surety bond; payment of appraisal costs and study and consideration of manner in which a new lease should be offered.

Richlands, Inc., was represented by Mr. Walter G. Hull who requested consideration of the application, stating that the company has an investment of approximately one quarter of a million dollars and had paid the State something like \$270,000.00 in rentals.

The members present expressed the view that Richlands should have some preference in a new lease on the property, but a full study would be made of conditions to be imposed and increase in rentals as compared with the present values. It was agreed to take the application under advisement with consideration to be given at the August 5th meeting when the Governor and Attorney General can be present. It was so ordered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 67-50-253.12 - Mr. Ferguson reported that William J. Bosso, on behalf of Granville A. Morse, applicant to purchase submerged lands, has applied for refund in the sum of \$3200.00 which was paid February 18, 1958, as he is unable to proceed with the proposed fill in Lake Worth. It was recommended that refund be authorized less cost of appraisal in the sum of \$150.00; that upon completion of refund the transaction be declared vacated and any future application for the area to be processed in accordance with the regulations in effect at such time and the then appraised value.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize refund in the manner as outlined by the Director and subsequent handling of any future application.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Notice was presented from Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority that the application from Neil



M. Owens, represented by Chester B. McMullen, had been approved by said Authority and the bulkhead line established abutting her upland property described as Lot 3, Block "C" of Bayside Subdivision No. 5, in Little Pass, Clearwater, Florida.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, no objections having been made to the line as established.

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Senator Newman C. Brackin of Crestview, Florida, came before the Trustees in reference to request submitted at the meeting July 1st on behalf of Santa Rosa Island Authority for conveyance of state owned land desired for park and recreational purposes. He reported that the Authority had met with the U. S. Engineers and agreement had been reached for an alternate spoil area; that the concern now is the property the State indicated should be set aside for the park area; that the State felt 2600 feet should be allocated but the Authority felt 1600 feet would be all that could be properly claimed by the Trustees. Senator Brackin stated that the Island Authority would submit a resolution asking that the Trustees agree to accept and have designated fifteen or sixteen hundred feet as a public park, and would agree to do likewise, the remainder of the island owned by the State to be quitclaimed to the Island Authority.

The Trustees requested that the Island Authority have its attorney confer with Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, and furnish the necessary information for a study of the proposed plan, with consideration to be given by the full board as soon as the Attorney General's office is prepared to report, August 5th if possible.

Mr. McLane requested clarification of his understanding that the Island Authority would furnish the Attorney General's office with a certified copy of a dedication of a portion of Santa Rosa Island, either by the County or the Authority, whichever holds title, whereby the property would be used exclusively for public park purposes. That it was his further understanding that the Okaloosa Island Authority would furnish the Attorney General with satisfactory evidence as to the ownership of the property. The Trustees would simply supplement, by way of dedication for public park purposes, the dedication made by the County or the Island Authority, as the case may be. The dedication by the Trustees would be of those areas consisting of spoils upon sovereignty submerged lands.

The Trustees concurred in the understanding explained by Mr. McLane.

At the request of Treasurer Larson, Mr. Ralph McLane reported on the three suits involving what is known as the "Turen Fill", referred to as:

Anderson vs. Furen and Trustees;  
Furen and Ratner vs. Trustees;  
Brantley vs. Trustees, Furen, Fulford and Ratner.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Ray E. Green*  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

Tallahassee, Florida  
July 22, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins,	Governor
	Ray E. Green,	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson,	State Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin,	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson,	Director-Secretary
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The minutes of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund dated June 24, 1958, having been presented to each member after approval by the Attorney General, were approved by the board without objection.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR LAND

The following applications were received for purchase of land abutting upland owned by applicants:

1. BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 91-05-253.12 - Menford T. and Rose Heltne, represented by Crofton, Wilson & Brewer, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, containing 0.477 of an acre. The application was recommended subject to advertisement for objections only, the bulkhead line having been established.

2. DESOTO COUNTY: File No. 203-14-253.03 - Elverne Hallman, offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for a parcel of sovereign land in Hunters Creek in Section 35, Township 39 South, Range 33 East, containing 25.67 acres, more or less. The application was recommended, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertised for objections only the parcels of land applied for in Brevard and DeSoto Counties as described.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Colonel Kemuel K. Blacker offered the appraised price of \$40.00 per acre for the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 51 South, Range 28 East, containing 80 acres. Applicant stated his plan was to develop a pine forest or pine tree farm with an expenditure of \$2,000.00 annually during the next 8 to 10 years.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees advertise the land for competitive bids starting at the appraised price, with the usual provision for rejection of any and all bids and for lack of a defined proposed development.

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COLLIER COUNTY: The City of Naples, Florida, represented by Smith & Carroll, presented application for perpetual dedication for public purposes of that area of submerged land in Naples Bay between the shore line and the established bulkhead line of 12th Avenue South, extended, in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of dedication instrument for the purpose requested for the handling charge of \$10.00.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: The City of Punta Gorda, Florida, represented by John A. Hathaway, made application for perpetual dedication for public street purposes to that area of submerged land between the extended lines at Wood Street from the shore line, along and abutting the easterly boundary of the Municipal Trailer Park to the northerly line of said park. Recommendation was made that no additional charge be required as the area requested affords access to the trailer park under development on land being purchased by the City from the Trustees for a monetary consideration.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize dedication of the parcel described in favor of the City of Punta Gorda, said dedication to be for street purposes only.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - On May 14, 1957, the Trustees authorized conveyance to the County, for public airport purposes, an area of submerged land northerly of the present St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport. The transfer was not consummated and modification is now necessary to provide for advanced types of commercial aircraft. The area required for the airport improvement is submerged land 1320 feet, more or less, each side of the centerline of the present North-South runway projected approximately 1.8 miles northerly from the shoreline.

Recommendation from the Director was for grant by deed for public purposes only, subject to advertisement for objections; the said land to be under the supervision and control of Pinellas County and title to revert at the option of the Trustees in event of non-use for five (5) consecutive years.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director, subject to the land being advertised for objections only, without cost except the handling charge of \$10.00.

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WALTON COUNTY: On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered a sale made in July 1956, of Government Lots 1 and 2, Section 9, Township 2 South, Range 20 West, at which Harold S. Baird was high bidder at \$35.00 per acre. Appraised value was \$20.00 per acre. The sale was never processed to contract and at the June 24 meeting authority was given for refund of the \$250.00 deposited with the Trustees in July 1956. Recent appraisal shows present value of the land as \$50.00 per acre, the State Road Department having constructed a bridge across the cayou at Santa Rosa, making the land easily accessible to U. S. Highway 98.

The Director recommended that if the original purchase was recognized that sale be consummated within thirty (30) days from this date, either by contract or deed at \$50.00 per acre, or that action be held in abeyance till suit in connection with a survey is settled in November.

Mr. Baird had intended being present but owing to an accident was unable to attend the meeting and asked that he be heard July 29th. He indicated that he would be willing to pay \$50.00 per acre for the high land but not the swampy area.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees refund the payment in the sum of \$250.00 and vacate the sale of July 1956.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BROWARD COUNTY: Paris G. Singer, on behalf of Tapharf Investment Company, Inc., owner of Lots 3, 4 and 5 of Block 4, Deerfield Beach Subdivision, made application for permit to install two (2) groins on the Atlantic Ocean front.



Mr. Ferguson reported that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida had reviewed the application and plans for the work and had recommended granting permit for the two groins to extend no further seaward than city groins immediately southward, and that the 25-foot second phase or extension be omitted. The Staff recommended issuance of permit in accordance with the Coastal Laboratory's recommendations and in accordance with regulations of the Trustees.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the issuance of permit as recommended by the Staff based on findings of the Coastal Laboratory as outlined.

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GLADES COUNTY: Lykes Bros., Inc., requested one-year extension of Grazing Lease No. 109 covering 148 acres in Sections 27 and 34, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, which expires August 24, 1958.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize extension of one year of said lease No. 109 under the same terms and conditions.

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GULF-CALHOUN COUNTIES: Representative Cecil G. Costin, Jr., of Gulf County, Harland O. Pridgeon, Tax Collector of Gulf County, G. U. Parker, Calhoun County, manager of Dead Lakes Water Management District, and William H. Linton, Chairman of said District, were present in the interest of a loan from the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund in the sum of \$100,000.00 to match an appropriation of a like amount under Chapter 57-423, Act of 1957. The loan was sought for the purpose of constructing a dam in the Dead Lakes and the District proposes to repay the loan from sale of fishing licenses over a period of ten (10) years at the rate of \$10,000.00 annually.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the 1957 legislature passed an act, Chapter 57-1115, authorizing the levy of a one-mill tax on all taxable property in Gulf and Calhoun Counties and the issuance of certificates of indebtedness not exceeding \$100,000.00. Also, a prospectus by the Department of Water Resources was presented which shows the proposed dam integrally involved with a proposed State road and bridge and the further observation that should the dam be constructed after completion of the bridge, the cost of the dam would be materially less as the bridge could be used during construction of the dam. Total estimated cost of the dam was \$218,000.00.

It was recommended that further study be given of the application before commitment of the loan was made.

The Trustees having indicated that favorable consideration would be given the request, the Attorney General suggested that he would like to explore the prospect of having the State Road Department contract for the dam in connection with the proposed road and bridge, with a view of realizing a saving in the cost of the dam, the Dead Lakes District assuming its proportionate share of the cost. The Trustees also stated that any agreement would require obligation by the District of the one-mill tax levy on taxable property in the two counties to repay the loan.

Without objection the Trustees agreed to take the matter up with the State Road Department, the Department of Water Resources, in conference with the applicant, and work out a suitable agreement, it being understood that in addition to the fishing licenses the one-mill tax levy would be obligated to repayment of the loan at the rate of not less than \$10,000.00 annually with three percent (3%) interest; that the money be paid to the District only as needed up to \$100,000.00, and that the District be urged to repay the amount borrowed in less than ten years if possible.

The Attorney General's office was requested to work with the Director and the agencies referred to in preparing the necessary agreements to be presented to the Trustees.

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY:** The City of Avon Park, Florida, requested permit to remove 500 cubic yards of material from state owned Lake Tulane in Section 27, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, the said material to be dredged from within the extended boundaries of the said City's property and used to improve a beach.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize permit for taking the material required at a cost of five cents (5¢) per cubic yard or \$25.00 minimum.

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY:** Robert S. Edwards made request on behalf of John Luth and Altha Luth, his wife, for disclaimer of that part of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 20 East, lying North of Thonotosassa road right of way. It was explained that the land was approved to the State of Florida for use and benefit of Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Company, under Act of Congress May 17, 1856, and the land was subsequently conveyed in 1890 by said railroad company to a predecessor in title of Mr. and Mrs. Luth. However, no conveyance was made by the State. Disclaimer was recommended to clear title upon payment of the minimum handling charge of \$10.00.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as recommended, upon payment of \$10.00.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY - BULKHEAD LINE:** Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action be deferred on application from Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for approval by the Trustees of a bulkhead line established by said Authority June 12, 1958, within an area and in the vicinity of lands owned by Sabalo Development Company in Boca Ciega Bay lying in a portion of Sections 4 and 33, Township 30 South, Range 15 East.

The application was not received in time for the staff to make a study and submit recommendations on the request and action was deferred for that reason. Applicant desired to be heard July 29, 1958.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** Fred C. Peterson, owner of that part of Lots 25 to 29, inclusive, easterly of and adjacent to Salt Pond in Tampa and Tarpon Springs Land Company's Subdivision of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 27 South, Range 16 East, made application to purchase a parcel of Salt Pond land, presently submerged and lying westerly of and adjacent to said lots, containing approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres.

Information was given that the survey shows the lots to be marsh and mangrove in that area; that Salt Pond was originally a part of an arm of Anclote River 5 miles inland, and the subject land is blocked off by a solid railroad fill which appears to have created a brackish lake; that the parcel applied for appears to have been formerly exposed private upland; that neither Salt Pond nor its parent river arm were meandered as navigable waters in the original U. S. Survey and the water area was patented out and conveyed into private ownership as the entire NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the section.

The Director further stated that the Engineering division made an inspection and report suggesting that Salt Pond was originally navigable, subject to tidal fluctuation and salinity, and therefore, subject to processing under the Bulkhead Act of 1957, and the omission of a meander in the U. S. Survey was not deemed an oversight since another lake in the same section was meandered. There has not been sufficient factual data for the Attorney General to resolve the legal question concerning whether or not the area was sovereign in fact when patented to the state and by it conveyed in 1881. On June

25, the Attorney General suggested that the applicant present information as to whether Salt Pond has been returned for taxes and if so, the name of the record title holder. This information has not been received. It was recommended that since the lake or bayou was artificially raised and the area sought appears to have been formally private upland, that the area cannot be processed for sale under the 1957 Bulkhead Act.

Mr. Peterson presented maps showing the area in question and requested that the Trustees sell the land to him in order that he may fill out 220 feet and square up his property.

The Attorney General was of the opinion that, with the information available at the time it was examined by him, the parcel was in private ownership, unless it was disclosed that title reverted to the state under Chapter 18296 - the Murphy Act, or additional information was found to the contrary.

The Trustees advised Mr. Peterson that it would be necessary for him to furnish further information on the subject and take up with the Clerk of the Circuit Court a search of the records to ascertain if the land came under the Murphy Act. It was so ordered.

Governor Collins presented a proposed resolution from Representative Ralph J. Blank, Jr., of West Palm Beach, suggesting that the Trustees adopt said resolution requesting the Florida delegation in Congress to seek allocation of \$100,000.00 for research on kenaf fiber.

Action was deferred on the resolution pending study, with report to be presented at the meeting July 29, 1958.

Financial Statements for the month of June, 1958, are as follows:

#### CHAPTER 610

Balance as of June 1, 1958		\$402,769.21
Receipts for the Month:		
Land Sales	48,299.35	
Quitclaim Deeds	756.00	
Fill Material	6,271.47	
Revenue Bonds	14,349.50	
Sand & Shell Leases	8,957.40	
Advertising	11.40	
Timber Lease	92.60	
Farm Lease	9,320.58	
Grazing Lease	830.00	
Mineral Lease	25.00	
Property Rental	1,261.11	
Miscellaneous	403.45	
Total Receipts for the month of June, 1958		90,577.86
GRAND TOTAL		493,347.07
Less Disbursements for the month of June, 1958		60,328.68
BALANCE AS OF JUNE 31, 1958		\$433,018.39

#### DISBURSEMENTS FOR MONTH OF JUNE, 1958

Date	Warrant No.	Payee	Amount
6/3/58	429093	Frances Thigpen	117.50
	429094	R. W. Ervin	55.50
	429095	J. R. McClure	39.08
	429828	University of Florida	5,000.00
	429829	Winchester Construction Co.	5,997.00
6/4/58	431866	W. T. Wallis	64.00
	431867	T. M. Burns	34.98
	431868	W. H. Morse	116.50
	432512	JEL to Bd. of Commrs. of St. Inst.	20.00
6/11/58	450664	Capital Office Equip. Co.	2.85



6/11/58	450665	Coral Tribune	26.60
	450666	General Office Equip. Co.	25.70
	450667	A. W. Gilkerson, CCC	2.25
	450668	J. H. McArthur	50.00
	450669	Nathan Mayo	21.40
	450670	Paul F. Randolph, Inc.	75.00
	450671	Southeastern Telephone Co.	20.80
	450672	Tallahassee Democrat	7.70
	450673	Frances Thigpen	18.00
	450674	Wyatt's Business Machines	19.69
	450675	M. Denton	242.75
	450676	T. M. Shackelford, Jr.	33.40
	450677	Walter Butler Co.	8,400.00
	450678	Commercial Office Supply Co.	107.33
	450679	Joe Kobelbauer	191.50
	450680	Remington Rand	420.00
6/12/58	452297	JEL to Prin. of St. School Fund	12,973.74
	452298	JEL to St. Bd. of Conservation	761.40
6/13/58	459620	McLane, Ramon, Wielage & Kennedy	4,354.17
6/16/58	462379	Ray E. Green, Comptroller	250.35
6/17/58	464564	R. M. McLane	87.60
6/18/58	470437	Southeastern Telephone Co.	269.15
	470438	Western Union Telegraph Co.	20.38
	470439	J. M. Smedley-Publisher, Inc.	551.00
	470440	Jon S. Beazley	250.00
	470441	Leon Blueprinting Co.	9.56
	470442	Bulkley-Newman Printing Co.	54.50
	470443	City of Tallahassee	95.37
	470444	Clewiston News	14.25
	470445	Coral Tribune	15.20
	470446	Phillip Pickens	35.00
	470447	Carl Gosbee, Realtor	375.00
	470448	Capital Paper Co.	39.90
	470449	Kee Lox Manufacturing Co.	6.67
	470450	Tallahassee Blue Print & Supply Co.	21.37
6/19/58	472133	State Rd. Dept. of Fla.	1,654.97
6/24/58	481247	Leon Blueprinting Co.	4.38
	481248	Tallahassee Blue Print & Supply Co.	5.46
	481249	Jon S. Beazley	125.60
	481250	Titusville Star-Advocate	15.20
	481251	Key West Citizen	26.60
	481252	Coral Tribune	41.80
	481253	J. A. Arnette, CCC	2.10
	481254	Bob's Grocery & Market	2.89
	481255	General Office Equip. Co.	2.50
	481256	W. Carson McNab Co., Inc.	54.95
	481257	F. Vidzes	8.25
6/25/58	482647	JEL to Geological Survey Coop. Acct.	1,900.00
	482450	JEL to Bd. of Cmms. of St. Inst.	20.00
6/30/58	485071	T. M. Shackelford, Jr.	2,500.00
	485072	H. G. Morton	974.45
	485712	H. G. Morton	117.13
	485713	J. R. McClure	61.62
	485714	Capital Office Equip. Co., Inc.	104.98
	485715	Roy Schreier	25.00
	495378	General Office Equip. Co.	3.04
	495379	A. W. Gilkerson, CCC	181.30
	495380	H. M. McWhorter	35.00
	495381	C & H Supply Co.	87.77
	495382	Tallahassee Blue Print & Supply Co.	91.02
	495383	Frances Thigpen	50.00
	495384	Wyatts Business Machines	2.00
	496826	F. M. Burns	34.50
	496827	J. Frank Jones & Co.	173.50
	505666	T. M. Shackelford, Jr.	33.65
	507434	Joe Allen, Tax Assessor	12.00
	507435	Collier County News	40.80
	507436	Nathan Mayo	137.70
	507437	Miami Herald	77.00
	507438	Palm Beach Post-Times	31.00
	507439	Southeastern Telephone Co.	26.25
	507440	Tallahassee Democrat	17.25
	507441	J. L. Cogar	1,000.00

		Salary Amount	
412957	M. Denton	566.66	\$ 445.51
412958	M.M.Livingston	300.00	228.00
412959	H. G. Morton	625.00	484.34
412960	Blue Cross of Fla., Inc.		3.05
412961	State Retirement		65.67
412962	Social Security		26.89
412963	Federal Tax		238.20
417871	A. C. Bridges	540.75	407.64
417872	J. L. Dedge	483.00	371.52
417873	V. H. Ferguson	1,041.66	812.49
417874	C. A. Gray	15.00	15.00
417875	N. C. Landrum	472.50	365.26
417876	M. H. McCollum	235.00	220.31
417877	G. R. Maxwell	293.26	232.29
417878	W. H. Morse	425.00	341.04
417879	M. C. Pichard	355.66	303.71
417880	L. C. Roberts	325.00	243.34
417881	Y. Scalera	335.00	284.26
417882	B. G. Shelfer	355.66	280.97
417883	L. M. Shelfer	285.00	218.24
417884	F. Vidzes	400.00	353.35
417885	C. L. Vocelle	250.00	142.58
417886	W. T. Wallis	1,000.00	792.15
417887	W. Wells, Jr.	150.00	133.15
417888	A. R. Williams	627.83	493.88
417889	Blue Cross of Fla., Inc.		57.55
417890	Wilson Life Ins. Co.		22.38
417891	State Retirement		291.80
417892	Social Security		113.51
417893	Federal Tax		1,093.90
379096	G. R. Maxwell	270.90	235.67
397097	State Retirement		10.84
397098	Social Security		6.19
397099	Federal Tax		18.20

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR JUNE, 1958 \$60,328.68

U. S. G. S. COOPERATIVE FUND

Balance as of June 1st, 1958	\$ 2,210.00
Receipts	1,900.00
Disbursements	<u>3,885.00</u>
Balance as of June 30th, 1958	<u>\$ 225.00</u>

UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Receipts to General Revenue:	
June 16, 1958	\$ 917.00
June 27, 1958	<u>1,255.00</u>
Total Receipts for the Month	<u>\$ 2,172.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FROM GENERAL REVENUE:

DATE	WARRANT NUMBER	PAYEE	Salary Amount	AMOUNT
6-17-58	463975	U. S. Postmaster, Tallahassee		\$ 190.40
6-30-58	483686	U. S. Postmaster, Tallahassee		8.00
	418582	J. C. Conner	262.50	192.10
	418583	E. Hewitt	550.00	438.87
	418584	Provident Life & Accident Ins. Co.		7.75
	418585	Blue Cross of Fla., Inc.		7.85
	418586	State Retirement		37.75
	418587	Social Security		12.38
	418588	Federal Tax		<u>115.80</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH \$ 1,010.90

SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 696 listing one (1) bid for purchase of Murphy Act land, and the following Broward County Correction deeds:

- (1) Deed No. 2164-EDDJ-Suppl.-Cor. to New Deal Corp.;
- (2) Deed No. 2193-EDDJ-Suppl.-Cor. to Maude M. Burket,

the two deeds being issued for the purpose of correcting errors in original deeds to said grantees.

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ESCAMBIA COUNTY: The State Road Department requested conveyance of that part of Lot 28 West of the Old Palafox Highway of a Sub-division of Section 21, Township 1 South, Range 30 West, West of L. & N. Railroad, for use in connection with State Road No. 8 - Section 4826-401-SRD 159.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees convey the parcel applied for upon payment of the minimum bid of \$200.00.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Offer of \$30.00 was submitted from Carl and Louise Brown for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of 1953, of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 22 West, containing 40 acres. Applicants took title in 1941 from Ida G. Long, the owner on June 9, 1939. The offer was less than the minimum bid of \$10.00 per acre, or \$400.00. It was recommended that conveyance be authorized upon payment of \$10.00 per acre.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance under Chapter 28317, in favor of Carl and Louise Brown, upon payment of the minimum bid of \$10.00 per acre.

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Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaiming interest in certain Murphy Act certificates covering land in Manatee and Taylor Counties, the Attorney General's office having advised that said certificates did not vest title in the State to the lands covered thereby.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 29, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins  
Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin

Governor(Present part time  
Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson  
W. Turner Wallis

Director-Secretary  
Engineer



The following sales were advertised for objections only to be considered on this date:

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 138-05-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Poe Investments, Inc., abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 34, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, and in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, more particularly described as commencing from the Southwest corner of Block "H" of LeBaron's Plat of Titusville, Florida, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 3.1 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and written objections to the sale were filed by Mrs. Florence N. Robbins and Theodore R. Robbins, her son, owners of land in that area. Her contention was that the area is not a logical or legal extension of riparian rights; that to sell this area would be discriminatory against other upland owners adjacent to or in the vicinity of the proposed purchase in that they would be restricted to easterly extensions of their North-South boundaries. She also claimed that the land is valuable for public use and urged that no sale be made to private interests.

In discussing the objections filed, the Trustees felt that they were worthy of further study by the staff before final action could be taken.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that for the time being the objections by Mrs. Robbins and son be sustained and action on the application from Poe Investments, Inc., be deferred.

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BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 140-05-253.12 - On June 17, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from C. R. McCotter and wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, lying easterly of and abutting the North 95 feet of Block "C", LeBaron's Plat of Titusville, containing 1.9 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and written objections to the sale were filed by Mrs. Florence N. Robbins and Theodore R. Robbins, her son, setting forth that Mrs. Robbins holds a mortgage on the upland and sale of the adjacent bottom land would deprive her of the subject matter of the mortgage and lessen its value considerably.

Mrs. Robbins and son verbally protested the bulkhead line established in that area as being an excessive distance offshore.

The Trustees suggested that Mrs. Robbins take up with the City and local parties a review of the bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that for the time being the Trustees sustain the objections filed by Mrs. Robbins and Son, pending further study by the staff and attempt to work out said objections at the local level between the applicants and objectors.

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In connection with the two Brevard County sales, Mr. Ferguson mentioned that the bulkhead line established for that area had been approved by the Trustees, but it extended offshore much farther than the engineering staff had recommended some time ago.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 84-08-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Glenn Griggs and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Leo Wotitzky, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lemon Bay in Section 28, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, lying westerly of and abutting Lot 19 of Grove City Land Company's Subdivision of said Section, containing 5.81 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Punta Gorda Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Glenn Griggs and wife at the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre.

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The following Monroe County sales were submitted for consideration:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 151-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from John A. McRae and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying northwesterly from and abutting the North 98.2 feet of Tract 2, First Amended Plat of Lee Shores, containing 0.22 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 152-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from James W. Mole, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin, in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lot 1 of Tarpon Acres, containing 0.22 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 153-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Vera Ruth Bond, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying northwesterly of and abutting the westerly portion of Tract 4 and Tracts 5 and 6 of the Second Amended and Revised Plat of Lee Shores, containing 0.84 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 154-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Fred Earl Crider and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying northwesterly of and abutting the South 78.22 feet of Tract 2 of First Amended Plat of Lee Shores, containing 0.22 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

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5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 155-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Lawrence J. Olsen and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, more particularly described as commencing from the intersection of the southwesterly line of Tract D and the southeasterly right of way line of the Overseas Highway, all as shown on amended and extended plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section 2, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was furnished the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 160-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Sven W. Hokanson and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lot 11, Block 6, Stratton's Subdivision, containing 0.24 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 161-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Harry A. Smith and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting Tract 3 of Caribbee Beach, containing 0.45 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 162-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Harold Javes and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting northeasterly 75 feet of Lot 7 of Caribbee Beach containing 0.34 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

9. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 163-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Richard I. Berenson, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 24, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Plantation Key, lying southerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 of said Section 24, containing 14.1 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.



10. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 164-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Dr. Fred J. Geier and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting Tract 6 of Caribbee Beach, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

11. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 166-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from James A. Bomar and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, more particularly described as commencing from the intersection of the dividing line between Lots 7 and 8, in said section, with the northwesterly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 1.08 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

12. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 167-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Ernest H. Guise and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying southerly of and abutting the East 330 feet of Government Lots 1 and 3 of said Section 5, containing 2.7 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

13. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 168-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Joseph J. Hines and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound, Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, more particularly described as commencing from the intersection of the dividing line between Lots 9 and 10 in said Section 11, with the northwesterly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 0.85 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

14. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 169-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from A. M. Cunningham and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 27, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, southeasterly of and abutting that portion of Lot 7, lying southeasterly of the right of way line of Old State Road 4-A of the Plat made by George L. McDonald, containing 6.36 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm the 14 Monroe County sales in favor of each applicant, as abutting upland owner, at the appraised price offered in each application.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 156-44-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from John G. Larkins and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 22, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting the northeasterly one-fourth (1) of Lot 14 and the southwesterly one-half (1) of Lot 15, Block 3 of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision, Section 1, containing 0.34 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and written objections were filed by R. Lucile Parman of Homestead, Eugene Underwood of Lower Matecumbe Key, R. M. Miller of Miami, and Preston F. Bird of Homestead, all representing that the sale and the proposed fill would be detrimental to all property in that area for the reason that it would change the shore line and create a trap for debris, would cause erosion and would damage property in that area to such extent that values would be affected.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on application of Mr. Larkins pending working out of objections to the sale.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 157-48-253.36 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre - \$100.00 minimum in this instance - from Clarence C. Tilden Trust, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Wallace E. Davis, for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom in Lake Apopka in Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, more particularly described as beginning at the point of intersection of the East line of Lot 1, L. F. Tilden's Subdivision of said Section 15, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 0.3 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Orlando Sentinel-Star Newspaper, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and general protest was filed by the Board of County Commissioners to any applications for marginal lands around Lake Apopka and to any permits for pumping on lands around the lake.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action on this application be deferred pending adjustment of objections filed by the County.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 116-58-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre - \$100.00 minimum in this instance - from Russell Groner, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Peterson, Meyers & Associates, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Roberts Bay in Section 36, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, lying southeasterly of and abutting Lots 1 and 2 of Bay Island Shores, Unit No. 1, containing 0.33 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Sarasota Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and protest was filed by Mrs. S. Paul Sanders of Sarasota on the ground that the proposed bulkhead would be a hazard to navigation and would disfigure the bay by reason of the proposed extension.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the protest and confirm sale of the land in favor of Russell Groner at the price offered - \$100.00 for the parcel.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 141-05-253.12 - The City of Titusville Florida, made application for a perpetual dedication for public street purposes covering extension over the submerged bottoms of Indian River to the established bulkhead line of Orange, Broad and Main Streets in the City of Titusville, lying in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East.

Mrs. Florence N. Robbins and son, Theodore R. Robbins, submitted protest to the sale based on the same grounds as applied to the Poe and McCotter applications advertised for sale on this date.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the application from the City of Titusville pending working out of the objections filed to the sales referred to; also that no further purchases will be granted or streets authorized dedicated to the City of Titusville until the staff has had opportunity to review the whole matter with said City and parties making protest.

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The following applications were submitted for purchase of submerged lands adjacent to upland ownership:

1. BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 201-05-253.12 - Thomas L. Moore, abutting upland owner, represented by Crofton, Wilson & Brewer, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Indian River in Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, City of Titusville, containing 0.50 of an acre. The bulkhead line for the City has been established and approved.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 204-44-253.12 - Clarence F. Hewes offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.53 of an acre.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 199-44-253.12 - Ernest Leder offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 19 and 30, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key, containing 2.05 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to advertise for objections only the three (3) parcels of submerged lands described, based on offers submitted by each of the abutting upland owners.

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BROWARD COUNTY: Vincent Brocato offered \$300.00 per acre, which exceeds the appraised value, for purchase of Tracts 1 to 5, inclusive, lying East of Levee L-37 in Section 9, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, according to the Plat of Florida Fruit Lands Company's Subdivision, containing 5.84 acres, more or less. Applicant proposes to build a home on the property and have a small farm.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the land be advertised for competitive bids starting with the offer of \$300.00 per acre.



ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 200-48-253.36 - J. B. Spencer and wife, abutting upland owners, offered \$500.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$200.00 in this instance, for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom in Lake Conway in Section 18, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 0.337 of an acre.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize sale in favor of applicant at the price offered, without advertisement and public sale in line with policy established by the Trustees in this lake.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

DADE COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that on August 27, 1957, application of Sidney J. Berger on behalf of Michael Steckloff, et al, was heard, being subject to Section 11 of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957. Applicants sought to fill within the established bulkhead line under U. S. District Engineer Permit. Action taken at that time was to approve the request, subject to holding for thirty (30) days in order for objectors to file legal action if desired. A suit was duly filed and prosecuted to final decree resulting in Final Decree in favor of Mr. Berger's clients.

Recommendation was made by the Director that the Trustees grant permit for taking material estimated at \$1,500.00, and upon payment of such amount that the work proceed; that upon completion of the fill and payment for any additional yardage above \$1,500.00 the Trustees issue quitclaim deed to the area filled.

Attorney General Ervin reviewed action taken August 27, 1957, pointing out the provisions of the Bulkhead Act applicable in this case and the procedure followed prior to the 1957 Act, under the Butler Act as applicable to Dade and Palm Beach Counties, which was to grant permits for taking fill and upon completion of the fills disclaimer would issue so as to show record that applicant had completed his rights under the Butler Act and was entitled to a described area of land filled.

Mr. John Moriarty, representing Mr. Berger and clients, stated that his clients had complied with the provisions of the Butler Act as well as the 1957 Bulkhead Law, and are now proceeding under decision of the Court which ruled in their favor, that since the State rather than the Trustees is the title holder, his clients would be entitled to some instrument as evidence that they had complied with the law.

Governor Collins expressed the view that the request seemed a little inconsistent. On the one hand the applicants claimed a right as a matter of law to take the property and have a decree of the court that seems to support that contention; also request was made for quitclaim deed which evidently comes from the assumption that the State had title and if so would involve the discretion of getting value received; that he would be agreeable to granting the fill permit but would not approve disclaimer before the fill was in.

Mr. Moriarty replied that the \$1,500.00, or whatever amount will be due for the fill, represented the value of the land for which disclaimer was requested.

Governor Collins expressed the feeling that it was clear from the legal opinion that the applicants had the right to fill, and that being the case the board should be willing to sell the material; that he was willing to go along with granting a permit to fill, but felt that the decision as to what instrument was given should be left for decision after the fill was made; that the Trustees should not be bound by any commitment at this time but should be governed by what the legal obligations will be in the future when conditions required have been performed; that he would be willing to grant the permit for fill but that was as far as he felt the Trustees should go at this time.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Treasurer Larson and adopted, that the Trustees issue the necessary permit to Mr. Berger's clients to take the fill applied for and that the question of an instrument be left for future consideration after the fill has been completed.

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DUVAL COUNTY: Florida Board of Forestry requested concurrence of the Trustees for salvage sale of timber from the right of way of Florida Power and Light Company across lands in Cary State Forest.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees concur in the timber sale as requested by the Board of Forestry subject to advertising of the sale as provided in Section 589.10, Florida Statutes.

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LEON COUNTY: H. G. Allen made application for a three-year commercial sand lease covering that part of the Ochlockonee River in the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 25 and W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 2 West, and offered payment at the rate of fifteen cents (15¢) per cubic yard with minimum payment of \$15.00 per month. Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize three-year lease in favor of Mr. Allen based on payment of fifteen cents per cubic yard; applicant to furnish \$500.00 surety bond.

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MONROE COUNTY: Gulf Oil Corporation requests three-months extension of permission granted February 25, 1958, for conducting a reflection-seismic survey of its leasehold westerly from Key West under Oil and Gas Leases Nos. 826-K-L-M-N, etc., which operation would extend into lease blocks of The California Company. All necessary approvals were submitted and permission was granted for the work to be completed August 1, 1958. It appears now that additional time will be needed and authorization has been secured from the California Company for extension of three months from July 22, 1958.

Mr. Ferguson recommended the extension requested in so far as the interest of the Trustees is concerned, subject to the regulations of the Board of Conservation and agreement of Gulf Oil Corporation to take all proper precautions and be liable for any damage caused by operations of its representatives and contractors making such survey.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize three-months extension from July 22, 1958, to Gulf Oil Corporation as recommended by the Director, subject to the conditions stated.

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NASSAU COUNTY: Attorney General Ervin presented letter from Representative T. H. Askins, transmitting letter from Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, University of Florida, in reference to an erosion problem in the Back River and Pumpkin Hill area. Request was made that the Trustees consider an application for grant of funds to do the necessary work to stop erosion which is endangering approximately fifty homes valued at \$750,000.00. Dr. Bruun suggested that it would be necessary to take care of the erosion problem in the near future and estimated that the cost of a survey by the Engineering Laboratory including definite recommendations and plans to solve the problem would be about \$6,000.00.

The Trustees agreed to study the request with a view to giving whatever assistance could be given in working out the problem. It was suggested that legislation might be considered necessary.

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POLK COUNTY: Request was submitted from A. H. Lane, on behalf of Lee H. Smith and wife, for corrective deed covering the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of E $\frac{1}{4}$  of N $\frac{1}{4}$  of East 80.08 acres of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 18, Township 30 South, Range 25 East, in order to clarify and correct the description of land included in Deed No. 8147 dated July 1, 1878, the said deed having described the land as "N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 1 of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ " of said section, and there being no such lot in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of corrective deed upon the filing of proof that all taxes and assessments have been paid, and upon payment of the minimum handling charge of \$10.00.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Charles A. Robinson, on behalf of Sabalo Development Company, requested that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority June 12, 1958, within an area and in the vicinity of lands owned by Sabalo Company, and also approval for issuance of permit to fill its land. Maps and photographs were displayed showing the bulkhead line extending out 1,551 feet from the shore, which extension is in line with an adjacent owner whose bulkhead was approved May 13, 1958. Applicants explained that prior to the 1957 bulkhead act, application was made for a permit but before it could be issued by the U. S. Engineers the 1957 Act became effective. No objections were filed to issuance of the permit or the fill.

The Comptroller and the State Treasurer expressed the view that it did not seem quite fair to deny this application since the County Authority approved the bulkhead line and permit to fill, and adjoining areas having received approval of their bulkhead a like distance out; that while they felt the bulkhead extended out too far and preference would be for the line to have been fixed much closer to the shore, a great deal of damage had been done already by numerous other fills.

Attorney General Ervin stated he was inclined to agree with the view of Messrs. Green and Larson because of the equities, but felt the board should have a recommendation from the engineer and staff, and an over-all bulkhead line for that entire area as had been suggested by the Governor.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action on the application be deferred until the staff has opportunity to contact Pinellas County and endeavor to have a connected bulkhead line along the entire area from Welch Causeway to the "Narrows". It was so ordered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Treasurer Larson called attention to a suit filed in Pinellas County - Brantley et al, vs Trustees II Fund, et al, having reference to the Furen Fill - in which suit serious charges were brought against the Trustees. He felt that the minutes should show that the suit was filed and that the Attorney General be requested to file motion to dismiss, in so far as the Trustees were concerned. Mr. Larson moved that such action be taken. The Attorney General asked that the motion be that his office take whatever action was deemed necessary. It was so ordered and the matter was referred to the Attorney General.

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Attorney General Ervin presented a letter from J. Lee Rankin, United States Solicitor General, in which it was stated that the Department of the Interior had advised the Solicitor General of its desire to invite bids for oil and gas leases on a tract of land beneath the ocean off the coast of Florida. The area referred to lies offshore and includes areas now under State Lease No. 1011, and also areas southerly of State Lease No. 1011 issued to The California Company, in the general location between the Marquesas Keys and Dry Tortugas.



Mr. Lawrence Truett, Attorney of Tallahassee, representing The California Company, requested that the Trustees interpose no objection to the proposed leases, in view of statements made by the Solicitor General of the United States.

The Department of the Interior desired information as to whether the pending litigation between the United States and Florida in No. 10 Original, October Term 1958, entitled United States vs. Louisiana, made it inadvisable to offer this tract for bids at the present time. The Solicitor General desired to know whether the State of Florida has any objection to this proposed action by the Interior Department and assured the Attorney General that failure to object "will not be considered by the United States as constituting a waiver of, or as otherwise prejudicing, any rights you may have in the area. The United States will not utilize your failure to object, nor refer to it, as a basis for supporting in any way its claim to the tract." Mr. Rankin called attention to the fact that 16 of the 80 tracts involved appeared to be within a conservation area established by the Florida Legislature as The Tortugas Shrimp Bed and expressed the view that the nation's resources should be developed with as little interference from differences of opinion as to ownership as possible; that it should be of advantage to everyone to permit exploration and development of the lands involved.

The Attorney General's recommendation was submitted in a letter to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, dated July 28, 1958, the body of which is as follows:

"Re: Proposed Department of Interior  
Lease on Certain Submerged Land  
off Florida

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing a letter received from Honorable J. Lee Rankin, Solicitor General, asking whether or not the State of Florida has any objection to proposed oil and gas leases which the United States desires to enter into, covering lands beyond a three mile radius, but partially within a nine mile radius of the State of Florida.

The Solicitor General has assured me in this letter that a failure to object to these leases will in no way constitute a waiver, or otherwise prejudice any rights which the State may have in this area as an outcome of the case United States vs. Louisiana, et al. I feel any decision in this matter should be that of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund rather than this office. I recommend to the Trustees that the Solicitor General be advised that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund will not object to these leases upon the assurance that such action will not prejudice the State of Florida in any pending litigation, provided that any monies resulting from these leases for lands within a nine mile radius of the State of Florida shall be put in escrow pending a final determination of State boundaries by the United States Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard W. Ervin

Richard W. Ervin  
Attorney General"

Upon motion of Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Attorney General as set forth in his letter of July 28, 1958, as the action of the Board and requested that he handle the matter as outlined in said letter.

Without objection, action was deferred on a proposed resolution submitted to the Trustees at the July 22nd meeting from Representative Ralph J. Blank and Emmett Roberts in reference to requesting the Congressional delegation from Florida to seek an allotment of \$100,000.00 for research on Kenaf fiber.

**SHELL LEASES:** State Board of Conservation, beneficiary of leases made by the Trustees for taking dead shell under provisions of Section 370.16(32) Florida Statutes, requested that said board be authorized as agent of the Trustees to inspect the books of all holders of such shell leases, such inspections and audits to be made by the Conservation Board's accountant.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Conservation Board be granted the authority requested.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that authority be given to correct the minutes of May 11, 1943, in reference to Okeechobee County land applied for by T. W. Conely, in order that the proper section number be designated in the minutes of that date, the correction to recite "Section 35" instead of Section 3. It was so ordered.

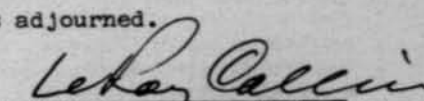
Printing of the Trustees' minutes was discussed and consideration was given as to whether printing should be discontinued and a different type of report made to the legislature as required by Section 253.23, Florida Statutes. It was brought out that storage space for the printed volumes was becoming an item for concern.

Without objection, the matter was referred to the Director to make further study, with report and recommendations to be submitted later.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 5, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:

LeRoy Collins  
Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin  
Nathan Mayo

Governor (Present part time)  
Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General  
Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund dated June 17, July 1, 8, 15 and 22, 1958, having been presented to each member after approval by the Attorney General, were approved by the board without objection.

The following sales were advertised to be considered on this date:

COMPETITIVE BIDS:

COLUMBIA COUNTY: On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered application from J. W. Lanier with offer of \$35.00 per acre for purchase of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, 40.2 acres, and \$15.00 per acre for SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 1 North, Range 18 East, 40.00 acres. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Lake City Reporter and proof of publication was filed with the Land Office.

Description of the land was called out and the Director reported that prior to receiving bids Judge W. Brantley Brannon of Lake City, representing J. M. Carter, had raised a question as to title of the 40.2 acres in Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, and announcement was made that there was a possibility the bids on that parcel might be rejected. Competitive bidding resulted in the following high bids:

\$50.00 per acre from Ruth B. Nemec, represented by Rivers Buford, Jr., for the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, 40.2 acres;

\$50.00 per acre from Southern Resin Chemical Company of Glenn St. Marys, Florida, for SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 1 North, Range 18 East, 40.0 acres.

Judge Brannon was present and explained that his client's title came down through an old railroad grant in 1888.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees defer action on sale of the land in Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, containing 40.2 acres, pending determination as to title of the tract.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the high bid of \$50.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of Southern Resin Chemical Company of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 1 North, Range 18 East, containing 40.00 acres, more or less.

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LEE COUNTY: On June 17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from Miriam W. Cannon for purchase of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, containing 40 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Fort Myers News Press and proof of publication was filed with the Land Office. Announcement was made that the Trustees required a plan of development to be outlined by the successful bidder before acceptance of bid.

Description of the land was called out and competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$515.00 per acre being made by J. Allen Cross, represented by Rufus Jefferson.

Mr. Ferguson advised that Mrs. Cannon, whose final bid was \$513.00 per acre, had agreed to build on this land within one year; that they expected to survey and clear the property and develop home sites for themselves and friends; that a medical center is planned by a son who is interning in a Miami Hospital, and another son planned an experimental area for growing exotic plants and vegetables by the hydroponic method.

Mr. Cross did not furnish information as to his plans for development.

Mrs. Cannon stated that her bid of \$513.00 per acre would stand should Mr. Cross fail to submit a plan satisfactory to the Trustees.



Telegrams were submitted from Sanibel Island Community Association and Captiva Island residents requesting that the land be withdrawn from sale and made available to the county for garbage and waste disposal. Also, a resolution from the County Commissioners of Lee County petitioned that this or other land be deeded to the county for sanitary fill purposes.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the bids offered for the Lee County land, and request the Director to contact Mr. Cross for a statement as to his proposed use of the land.

The Trustees were not disposed to withdraw this land from sale and make it available to the county for sanitary purposes as it was in an area proposed for development in the near future. However, it was indicated that the Trustees would be willing to make available a parcel of land in another location to the county for sanitary purposes.

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#### OBJECTIONS ONLY:

ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 157-48-253.36 - The Director reported that this sale was advertised for consideration July 29, 1958, and action deferred owing to objections being filed by the County Commissioners of Orange County. The application was made by Clarence G. Tilden Trust, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Wallace E. Davis, with offer of \$300.00 per acre or a minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for 0.3 of an acre of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Apopka, Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 27 East. Protest filed by the County Commissioners was later withdrawn and recommendation was made that the bid of applicants be confirmed at the price offered.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Clarence G. Tilden Trust, et al, of the parcel described at the price offered - \$100.00.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

LEE COUNTY: File No. 195-36-253.12 - Ralph G. Turner offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for purchase of a mangrove island or flat of about 1.5 acres, with adjacent submerged land to total 5 acres, located approximately 1,300 yards northwesterly from Merwin Key in Matlacha Pass. Applicant stated he proposed to develop a private fishing camp.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action on Mr. Turner's offer be deferred pending discussion between the Attorney General's office and T. M. Shackelford, Jr. special attorney for the Trustees.

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The following applications were presented for purchase of submerged lands abutting upland ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 158-44-253.12 - Dr. Russell L. Scholl offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for submerged land in Bay of Florida in Section 32, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key No. 3, containing 0.66 of an acre, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 207-44-253.12 - Edwin A. Goebel, Jr., represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 22, Township 66 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, containing 0.21 of an acre, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 208-44-253.12 - Raymond H. Baur and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 27, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 2.32 acres, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 209-44-253.12 - Henry D. Perry and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.34 of an acre, more or less.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 219-44-253.12 - Howard F. Gluck and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or the minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.48 of an acre, more or less.

6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 211-44-253.12 - The Board of Public Instruction of Monroe County offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Boot Key, containing 1.3 acres, more or less, adjoining property owned by the School Board at Marathon, Florida.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the several parcels of submerged land described in the six (6) applications submitted by abutting upland owners, the appraised price having been offered in each case.

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#### DEEDS: CORRECTIVE AND QUITCLAIM

ORANGE COUNTY: LAKE CONWAY - W. J. Steed requested corrective deeds on behalf of the following clients:

M. J. Carroll, grantee in Deed No. 21394 - To correct error in description appearing in original deed.

W. R. Robinson, grantee in Deed No. 21314 - To correct error in description appearing in original deed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of corrective deeds to the above applicants upon payment of the handling charge of \$10.00 for each deed.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: H. R. Iayfield requested quitclaim deed to a parcel of land in Government Lot 3, Section 1, Township 44 South, Range 35 East, said parcel being included in Trustees Deed No. 18277C dated February 1, 1943.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed without cost as it was determined that the error was made by the office.

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#### EASEMENTS - LEASES - PERMITS

DUVAL COUNTY: Duval Engineering and Contracting Company requested permit to remove approximately 250,000 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Trout River to be used in construction of a portion of Jacksonville Expressway, under contract with the State Road Department. Written consent was furnished by the riparian upland owners in front of the area

to be dredged with evidence from a title company as to upland ownership. It was recommended that permit be authorized as requested.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit in favor of Duval Engineering and Contracting Company upon payment of the standard rate per cubic yard for all material taken.

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LAKE COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that a hearing was held on April 8, 1958 concerning the dredging and filling by Eichelberger Estate in the margin of Lake Joanna adjacent to the Eichelberger upland in Government Lot 9 of Section 18, Township 19 South, Range 27 East. Mr. Joseph Eichelberger, representing the Estate, offered to have the lake chemically treated to clear the cloudy suspension of kaolin, and the treatment appeared to be reasonably successful. Prior to the April 8th meeting the Trustees, Engineer reviewed the matter with the office of the Attorney General, pursuant to which the staff concurred in recommending that the area above mean high water comprising approximately 2.6 acres be quitclaimed to the Eichelbergers at the appraised value in its present state, less the cost of filling and improvement incurred by the Eichelbergers in bringing the land to the present condition. That recommendation still stands.

Objections were filed to the dredging in the lake and upon notice from the Director, the dredging which was about 50% completed was stopped. Mr. Eichelberger had contracted for fill to four feet high above high water at a cost of \$6,000.00 and submitted proof of payment in amount of \$3,000.00.

The Director further stated that when the dredging was stopped the office took notice of court action in a similar case and did not require removal of the dredged material, but advised that completion would have to be by dry fill from upland. In January 1958 an appraisal of \$600.00 per acre was reported based on adjacent high land; however, Mr. Eichelberger submitted paid invoices, checks, etc., amounting to \$4,437.12, which appears considerably in excess of the market value of the half-filled parcel.

The Director and staff recommended that, in view of the protests filed to dredging in Lake Joanna, all applications for further dredging in said lake be denied.

Mr. Eichelberger was present and renewed his application for deed to the parcel applied for, reporting that he had carried out his agreement with the Trustees to treat the waters of the lake and clear the muddy condition; that he had followed the recommendations of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and that the water of the lake was now 80% clear; that he had made every effort possible to reach an amicable agreement with other property owners around the lake but had not been successful; that he had no intention of doing any further dredging in the lake but would use dry fill for completing the job.

Messrs. Kendall Jones, Ed Mitchell, John Carson and others owning property around the lake, voiced objections to any further dredging in Lake Joanna and urged that the Trustees require Mr. Eichelberger to clear the muddy condition of the water in the lake, as the treatment given by him had not been successful and they did not concur in the report that water was 80% clear.

Mr. Ferguson read a report from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission in which Mr. Earl Frye advised informally that the treatment given was successful. The Trustees felt that a little more time should be allowed to see how the process of clearing the water developed.

Without objection, action was taken that the matter be deferred for two (2) months, and that the Director be requested to make a report at the end of that period as to the condition of the water after receiving a report from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission as to whether the treatment of the lake has resulted in clearing the muddy condition caused by dredging.



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees rescind action taken March 25, 1958, authorizing permits in favor of Mrs. E. N. Daley and Peter T. Carpenter for removal of sand from the bottoms of Lake Joanna, and that any application for dredging in Lake Joanna be denied.

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LEE COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District, on behalf of the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, requested perpetual easement covering four spoil disposal areas in the open waters of San Carlos Bay and the Caloosahatchee River, for maintenance of navigation in said river.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize perpetual easements in favor of the United States to parcels of submerged land designated as Spoil Areas 58-1, 58-2, 58-3 and 58-4.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The estate of Fritz Stein requested one-year renewal of its Farm Lease No. 1130 covering ten (10) acres of land in Government Lot 2 of Section 23, Township 43 South, Range 36 East, which expired June 30, 1958, being a lease originally issued through the State Prison Farm at Belle Glade. The land under said lease is on Torry Island and requires rental of \$150.00 annually.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize one-year renewal of the lease under the same terms and conditions, subject to consent of Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District being granted.

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MARTIN COUNTY - PALM BEACH AND MONROE COUNTIES - K. C. Koch submitted application for three-year treasure lease covering four (4) offshore areas designated as:

1. 15 square miles in the Atlantic Ocean adjacent to Palm Beach County line in Martin County;
2. 12 square miles in the Atlantic Ocean southerly from South Lake Worth Inlet in Palm Beach County;
3. 9 square miles being 1 mile each direction from John Sawyer Bank in Bay of Florida, and
4. 12 square miles between Big Pine and Bahia Honda Keys in Monroe County.

It was recommended that the leases be granted subject to provisions recently approved and upon payment of rental of \$100.00 per year and surety bond of \$2,000.00.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the three treasure leases covering the areas indicated under the terms and conditions as recommended.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Richlands, Inc., holder of lease No. 728 dated July 1, 1950 with expiration date of June 30, 1960, covering 3,038 acres of land at Pelican Bay, requested extension of renewal. Current rental, \$11,726.96 per year.

The Director recommended that a thorough study be made by a professional appraiser assisted by the Chief Engineer, and report made showing the present value of land and improvements leased by the Trustees, the value of improvements placed on the premises by lessee which become part of the realty and property of the Trustees in event of termination of the current

lease; recommendation as to the best use of the premises and determination of proper new rental of the land and all improvements now in place and which become part of the realty of the Trustees June 30, 1960; also, recommendation of suitable surety bond to secure performance of new lease covenants, and any recommendations that may appear feasible concerning sub-leasing by any lessee. It was further recommended that the recipient of any lease of the property effective July 1, 1960 shall be required to pay the costs of appraisal and study in addition to the lease payments. It was further suggested that consideration be given to the manner in which new lease should be offered - whether by negotiation, invitation for bids by publication, or otherwise.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve as the action of the board the recommendation and suggestions by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

**BAY AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES:** The Florida Board of Forestry requested concurrence of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund in the following:

**BAY COUNTY:** Proposed Beaver Branch timber sale - 182 acres in Pine Log State Forest; and

**SANTA ROSA COUNTY:** Proposed Goodson Sawtimber-Pulpwood sale of timber from Blackwater River State Forest.

It was explained that both sales were being advertised and the conditions thereof reviewed. Concurrence was recommended.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees concur in the two sales as requested.

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**GULF AND CALHOUN COUNTIES:** At the meeting July 22, 1958, the Trustees approved loan to Dead Lakes Management District to assist in construction of a proposed dam. It was understood that the Trustees anticipated mandatory levy of a one-mill tax as provided for in the 1957 Act - Chapter 57-1115; but the District proposed repayment solely from sale of fishing permits, with assessment of the one-mill levy to be extended only in event of deficiency. The District agreed to make payments one year in advance, or keep in reserve a sum sufficient to cover one year's payment. At the request of the Attorney General, this matter was placed on the agenda for decision as to mandatory levy of the one-mill tax.

Representative Cecil G. Costin, Jr., Gulf County, representing the Dead Lakes Management District, stated that if the County could defer levy of the one-mill tax until necessary that the District would repay the loan in nine (9) years; that they would prefer not having a mandatory levy unless it became necessary to make payments on the proposed loan.

After discussion it was understood that in the agreement to be entered into between the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and the Dead Lakes District it would be specified that a payment of not less than \$10,000.00 annually be made with interest at the rate of three percent (3%); that unless receipts from fishing permits were not sufficient to make the required annual payments, it would not be necessary to levy the one-mill tax.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees not require the mandatory levy of one-mill unless there should occur a deficiency in the fishing permits; that the Attorney General be requested to prepare the necessary agreement for effectuating the loan.

It was also agreed that the \$100,000.00 would be made available to the Dead Lakes Management District only as and when the bills fall due for the work being done.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Okaloosa Island Authority, represented by Mr. Newman C. Brackin, requested consideration of the application submitted to the Trustees July 15, 1958 for conveyance to the county of certain areas on Santa Rosa Island desired for park and recreational purposes. On that date the Trustees requested the Island Authority to furnish the Attorney General with certain information as a basis for study and report to the board. The Attorney General's office advised that they have not received anything on the subject and do not have a report at this time.

Mr. Brackin advised that the Okaloosa Island Authority had dedicated a 1,600 foot strip for park and public purposes and requested that the Trustees issue quitclaim deed or disclaimer to the county of the state's ownership on the island. He explained that he was one of a group sub-leasing a portion of the island property, and the Island Authority desired a quitclaim deed in order to deal with his group.

The question of determining the description of the state's ownership and the area conveyed by the Federal Government to the Okaloosa County was discussed and maps were displayed showing the location, but no definite ownership lines were available. Also, the right of ingress and egress was brought out.

James W. Middleton of Ft. Walton Beach, attorney for Okaloosa Island Authority, explained that the lease agreement between the Island Authority and the lessees provided for a right of way sixty-six (66) feet wide to be maintained to the park.

In a discussion of what plans were being made to improve and beautify the park, Mr. Brackin explained that the county is much interested in making something worthwhile out of the area for the public, and it was anticipated that funds of the Island Authority would be used in the work.

Governor Collins indicated that he would be agreeable to an exchange or quitclaim of the state's interest in exchange for quitclaim or public dedication to insure public use of the west 1,600 feet, and suggested that the Trustees approve in principle this exchange and request the Attorney General and staff to make such engineering determination as might be required and prepare such legal documents as might be appropriate properly to divest the state of its interest in the land and properly to vest in the state perpetual commitment for public park use the other property. The Governor also suggested that Mr. McLane, Assistant Attorney General, with the staff and the applicants, work on a plan of procedure to accomplish the desired development in the best interest of the county and state.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the procedure outlined by the Governor.

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OSKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Mr. Haynes Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Oskeechobee County, was present with reference to resolutions adopted by the City of Oskeechobee and by the county, seeking to have Trustees-owned lots, formerly Murphy Act and Everglades Drainage District reversions, turned back to the Clerk as agent for the Trustees, for sale to purchasers.

Mr. Ferguson explained that the Trustees recently withdrew all these lots from sale and since they were not now subject to the Murphy Act, the requested transfer did not seem feasible.



Mr. Williams stated that the lots would be sold only as home-sites, and he requested that he be appointed as the Trustees' agent to auction off these lots in the county, as he felt better prices would be received down there since it was expensive to make a trip to Tallahassee to bid. He felt the lots would bring \$150.00 each, and the county would like to have the property back on the tax roll.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that Mr. Williams be authorized to represent the Trustees in holding sale of ten lots to be selected for advertising, the advertisements to be sent out by the Trustees with competitive sale to be held in Okeechobee by the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Mr. Williams was requested to confer with Mr. Ferguson and select a list of ten (10) lots they felt would be suitable for sale; and it was agreed that Mr. Williams would receive \$10.00 per lot as a fee for conducting the sale.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 137-52-253.12 - Mr. Ferguson reported that Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on April 24, 1958 fixed the bulkhead line with reference to Island No. 9 and adjacent submerged lands owned by Walter Collany in Section 19, Township 32 South, Range 16 East. Inasmuch as the bulkhead line was fixed to extend on the southerly side beyond the Collany ownership and across submerged land to and along the shore line of another owner, but similar extension was not made on the northerly side, the neighboring owner was unwilling to accept the location and action on the line was deferred by the Trustees May 13, 1958 for further study and possible agreement of the differences. This has not been accomplished and Wilbur C. Stone, on behalf of Mr. Collany, requested consideration today. The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line conditioned upon its being limited to the portion that bounds the Collany property.

Attorney General Ervin explained that he had this matter up with Mr. Collany and felt inclined to think that the Trustees should accept the recommendation of Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and approve the entire line as fixed, the reason being that if an area was excepted it would leave the question of the lagoon open and the neck of land joining the Collany and Waldron-Green property; that a legal question was involved as to whether the Trustees can approve half of the bulkhead line without approving the whole and he felt all or none should be approved.

Mr. Stone pointed out on a map the area included within the bulkhead line and stated his understanding was that said line was acceptable to Dr. Bradley Waldron, representing the Green interests. Dr. Waldron was present and stated that so far he had no objections to make.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority April 24, 1958 as suggested by the Attorney General.

Mr. Stone also requested action on Mr. Collany's application for purchase of Tract No. 1 comprising 2.75 acres and Tract No. 2 comprising 1.65 acres in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, as shown on map submitted, and referred to former action of the Trustees by which it was agreed that Tracts 1 and 2 would be conveyed to Mr. Collany at the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre; that Mr. Collany would convey to the Trustees a parcel designated as Tract No. 3, from which said tract applicant would be allowed to dredge fill material without cost. Mr. Stone further requested that former action be modified so as not to require reconveyance to the Trustees of Tract No. 3, since this parcel would be desirable in the future to connect by bridge with Shell Key, owned by Mr. Collany, and applicant be granted the privilege of taking material from Tracts 1-A and 2-A. He stated that Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority had approved establishment of the bulkhead line and sale of the submerged areas.

Dr. Waldron called attention to the former agreements made for sale of these submerged areas, explaining that all were based on the requirement for Mr. Collany to reconvey to the Trustees the parcel referred to as Tract 3, and stated that if the original commitments were carried out he would have no objections; that the parcel referred to by Mr. Stone as an isthmus is an island and has been so recognized all along.

The Trustees were of the opinion that the original agreement should be followed. Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Walter Collany to the following parcels of submerged land located between Cabbage and Shell Keys:

Tract No. 1 - 2.75 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, described as commencing from the Northeast corner of Section 19, said township and range, run S. 23°33'38" West, 1753.05 feet to the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Station Tomlinson, thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning;

Tract No. 2 - 1.65 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, described as having the same beginning point as Tract No. 2, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning;

with the right to take without cost fill material from parcels designated on the plat as Parcels 1-A and 2-A; that conveyance be conditioned upon receipt of deed from Walter C. Collany to the Trustees conveying 4.55 acres of submerged land designated as Tract No. 3 located in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, starting at the Northeast corner of Section 19 of said township and range, and as shown on Plat of Monte Cristo Isle recorded in Plat Book 17, pages 51 and 52, records of Pinellas County, Florida, from which Tract 3 Mr. Collany will have the right to remove fill material; that the removal of said material from Tracts 1-A, 2-A and 3 shall be completed within a period of two years from date of deeds.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Mr. Wilbur Stone, on behalf of Walter Collany, presented another application, which was not on the agenda and which had not been studied by the staff, for conveyance of an easement from the east line of the Collany property in Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, extending over to Cabbage Key.

Dr. Waldron stated that the area referred to as an isthmus is and always has been an island.

The Trustees declined to consider the request by Mr. Stone, as the staff had not had opportunity to study the proposal and make report. Without objection action was postponed for further study and report.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Magnolia Corporation, holder of Contracts Nos. 21670, 21671 and 21672, submitted assignments to Venezia A, Inc., Venezia B, Inc., and Venezia C, Inc., with acceptance of the provisions of the contracts by the assignees. It was recommended that since the property was divided in a manner to accommodate development and possible sales, assignments be approved subject to assignee furnishing such further data as may be needed in event revised contracts are required.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the assignments be approved in accordance with recommendation by the Director.

PINEILLAS COUNTY: At the meeting July 29, 1958, the following item was prepared for the Minutes in reference to Pinellas County litigation on the subject of the "Puren Fill":

"Treasurer Larson called attention to a suit filed in Pinellas County - Brantley, et al, vs. Trustees II Fund, et al, having reference to the PUREN FILL - in which suit serious charges were brought against the Trustees. He felt that the minutes should show that the suit was filed and that the Attorney General be requested to file motion to dismiss, in so far as the Trustees were concerned.

Mr. Larson moved that such action be taken. The Attorney General asked that the motion be that his office take whatever action was deemed necessary. It was so ordered and the matter was referred to the Attorney General."

Subsequent to the meeting of July 29th, it was learned that Mr. Larson did not understand the amendment to his motion, and the Director desired clarification.

Mr. Larson expressed the desire to have the record show that he had moved to dismiss the suit in so far as it concerned the Trustees.

The Attorney General explained that he requested that the motion be amended so as to allow his office to go into the case carefully and document the records and determine the best course to pursue; that he was afraid they would be putting themselves in a partisan position if they moved to strike.

Without objection, the Secretary was instructed to have the records show Mr. Larson's motion as offered with the amendment by the Attorney General and adoption of the amended motion.

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Mr. Ferguson submitted the resignation of Mr. W. Turner Wallis as engineer for the Trustees, effective September 1, 1958, including earned vacation, and expressed appreciation for the splendid work Mr. Wallis had done and assistance rendered the office.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the resignation of Mr. Wallis be accepted with best wishes for success in his private practice.

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The Director reported that application had been made by James T. Williams for the position of Records Clerk in the Land Office; that he had good training and experience with a land title firm and was well recommended. Recommendation was made that he be employed on the same basis as the former Clerk with salary of \$250.00 per month from the Commissioner of Agriculture and \$250.00 per month from the Trustees II Fund, on a three months probation period.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that employment of Mr. Williams be authorized on the terms and conditions outlined, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Agriculture, after an interview with the applicant.

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The Director called attention to a suggestion from Representative Ralph J. Blank and Representative Emmett Roberts of Palm Beach County, suggesting adoption of a resolution by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund urging the Florida Congressional Delegation to seek an allotment of \$100,000.00 for research on kenaf fiber. At the meeting July 22nd the proposed resolution was referred to the Director and the revised form was submitted for consideration.



Motion was made, seconded and carried, that the following resolution be adopted:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund are advised that the nation's supply of jute has been threatened by disturbances in Eastern countries and that kenaf has been demonstrated as a satisfactory substitute for jute; that kenaf may be grown in Florida and other agricultural states, and that the soft fiber industry has indicated willingness to allocate a substantial percent of its requirements to kenaf as a substitute for jute; and that a fact-finding program should be instituted to study all phases of supply, harvesting and processing of kenaf;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Honorable Spessard L. Holland, Honorable George Smathers, and all members of the Florida Congressional Delegation be requested to obtain an allocation of funds from the United States Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1959 in support of such fact-finding program for agronomic, engineering and technological work on kenaf.

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The Trustees directed that copies of the resolution be transmitted to the Florida Delegation in Washington in the interest of securing an appropriation for research on kenaf fiber.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that authority be given for issuance of warrant in amount of \$22.00 in favor of the United States as payment in advance for photo index sheets covering Volusia, Brevard, Indian River and Martin Counties, 1958 aerial photography.

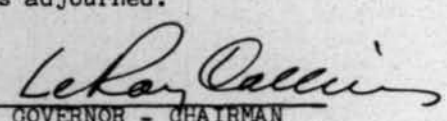
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 697 and authorize issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 1230-Duplicate in favor of Isaac Haber, the original deed No. 1230 to the same grantee reported to be lost without having been placed of record.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 12, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin  
Nathan Mayo

Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General  
Commissioner of Agriculture

The following sales were advertised to be considered on this date:

OBJECTIONS AND COMPETITIVE BIDS:

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 96-08-253.12 - On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre from Catherine Marshall for purchase of a mangrove island or flat lying between Lemon Bay and Kettle Harbor in Section 12, Township 41 South, Range 19 East, and in Section 7, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, containing 38.6 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections and competitive bids in the Punta Gorda Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$665.00 per acre being offered by Mrs. Catherine Marshall.

The Director announced that objections were filed to the sale by W. M. Basch, Adrien E. VanCleave, E. W. Rice and W. E. Coker, representing that they were upland owners on Lemon Bay, and protesting on the ground that any filling would leave only a canal or channel where the Bay now is, would destroy fishing by removing the marshy areas and would depreciate value of the property on the Bay.

The staff recommended that the objections be overruled, the area applied for being within the bulkhead line established by the county and approved by the Trustees.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections filed and that sale be confirmed in favor of Mrs. Marshall at the price offered, \$665.00 per acre.

OBJECTIONS ONLY:

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 66-05-253.12 - On June 17, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre from Orlando Utilities Commission, abutting upland owners, represented by Gurney, McDonald and Handley of Orlando, Florida, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 26 to 29, both inclusive, Block 2, Town of Bellewood, containing 5.9 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. As a part of the advertisement for sale of the land was notice of intention of Trustees to approve application of Orlando Utilities Commission for permit to construct and maintain a mole or jetty extending 2,000 feet into the waters of Indian River, due East from the shore, immediately north of and abutting the parcel of land described above, said structure to become a component part of a power plant to be constructed on said submerged area.

Description of the land was called out and attention called to the mole or jetty permit. No objections were filed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land described in favor of Orlando Utilities Commission at the price offered, \$500.00 per acre, and approve issuance of permit for mole or jetty construction.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 172-44-253.12 - On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from C. H. Hecker, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly from and abutting Lot 37, Block 3, Amended and Extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section 1, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and objection was submitted from Perry Adair, claiming ownership of Lot 33 in the same subdivision, on the ground that the fill would depreciate value of his property. The staff recommended that the objection be overruled in view of the fact that two other sales in the same locality and between the parcel applied for and Mr. Adair's, allow extension out in line with Mr. Hecker's request.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objection filed by Mr. Adair and confirm sale of the parcel described in favor of Mr. Hecker at the price offered, \$300.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 173-44-253.12 - On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from C. H. Hecker, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, lying northerly of and abutting Lots 11 and 12, Block 2 of Amended and Extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision, Section 1, containing 0.83 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and objections were filed by Nathaniel M. Levin and V. W. Matthews, owner of lots within 1,000 feet, Dr. Levin objecting on the grounds that the water in front of a number of these lots is from 13 to 20 feet deep and would be impracticable to fill; also any fill proposed by Mr. Hecker would obstruct the view from his and other owners' property. Mr. Matthews' objection was similar to Dr. Levin's and in addition, he felt that the shoreline proposed by Mr. Hecker would open the way for development in front of his and other property and would decrease the value of their homes ranging in price from \$15,000.00 to \$25,000.00.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the application for further study of the revised area proposed by Mr. Hecker and also for investigation of the objections filed.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 174-44-253.12 - On June 24, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from C. H. Hecker, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 7, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, lying southerly of and abutting Lots 20, 21 and 22 of Long Key Ocean-Bay Colony Subdivision, Section 1, containing 1.14 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of C. H. Hecker and wife at the price offered, \$200.00 per acre.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 156-44-253.12 - On July 29, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from John G. Larkins and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 0.34 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida. (Detailed description in July 29th minutes.) Objections were filed to the sale and the Trustees deferred action for study and possible adjustment between applicant and objectors. Mr. Crawshaw advised that attempts to answer protests have not resulted in withdrawal of said objections; that beaches in the area are being washed away and not replaced and in many places jagged rocks are replacing the former shore; that the bulkhead line offshore 200 feet in the Straits of Florida would provide a substantial rock levee with protected entrances and allow a sandy beach to be maintained; also would afford protection during storms and keep out objectionable debris. Ownerships protesting the sale are from 330 to 630 feet distance from the applicant's property.

The Director recommended that the objections be overruled since the offshore limit had been fixed with the interest of the entire area in mind to avoid the very things feared by the objectors, and in view of previous sales and other applications in that zone.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections filed, and confirm sale of the land in favor of John G. Larkins and wife at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 122-52-253.12 - Application of Lido-Pinellas Corporation, represented by Charles E. Fisher. (See minutes May 1, 1958) On May 13, 1958, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority. Following that action Lido-Pinellas Corporation filed a new application with Pinellas County for establishment of a bulkhead line within an area and vicinity of certain submerged lands located in Boca Ciega Bay at the City of St. Petersburg, in Section 6, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, and applied to purchase lands within the said bulkhead line, comprising 6.93 acres in said section, township and range. On June 26, 1958, the County Authority approved both the bulkhead line and sale of the submerged area and recommended approval by the Trustees.

Protest to the establishment of the bulkhead line and to sale of the submerged land was filed by Boca Ciega Isle Association, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, mainly on the grounds that the new application did not comply with the law; that the new bulkhead would ruin the beauty of the Sunset Bayou and would create a pocket for debris and be a health hazard for residents of the island. The protest petition requested postponement of action until October when a number of owners will have returned from vacations.

Mr. Fisher presented for examination a certificate from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pinellas County certifying that the new or amended bulkhead line had been formally and legally filed with the Clerk and was part of the public records of the County. Also, the City of St. Petersburg Beach held public hearings and gave its approval. Maps were displayed showing the bulkhead line and the mangrove area proposed to be filled. Mr. Fisher pointed out that his client owned 20 acres of upland and was applying for only 7 acres of submerged land; that about two miles of the area each way had been sea-walled and the tract in question was the last not sea-walled.

The Trustees questioned the advisability of selling the area beyond the mangrove, approximately 250 feet outward, and felt the bulkhead line should be restricted to the mangrove.

Colonel H. C. Gee, Engineer for Lido-Pinellas Corp., explained that the reason for that was in order to maintain a balance between material to be dredged and the area to be filled; that he had discussed the problem with Mr. F. Gerritsen, Associate Professor with the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and he advised that he could see no objection to the bulkhead line; that Mr. Gerritsen called Mr. Ferguson and reported to that effect.

Mr. Chester C. Irving, a property owner on Boca Ciega Island, was present and stated that he was opposed to the first application but was in favor of the plan as now proposed.

The protest filed by Boca Ciega Island Association was discussed and the damage to fishing and other reasons were considered, especially as to whether this development would set a precedent for other applications.

Mr. Fisher advised that practically everything for two miles north and south was already bulkheaded.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority June 26, 1958, and confirm sale of the 6.93 acres described in favor of Lido-Pinellas Corporation, at a price to be agreed upon after an appraisal has been secured.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 159-52-253.12 - Application of William S. Wightman, abutting upland owner. Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority advertised a hearing on the proposed bulkhead line and sale of the submerged area applied for, and on June 26, 1958, the said Authority approved establishment of the bulkhead line and sale, with action to be taken by the Trustees August 12, 1958. Mr. Wightman's application covered a parcel of submerged land described as starting from the W. corner of Section 17, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, lying in and being in said section, township and range, and containing 1.44 acres, more or less.

Mr. Wightman was present and explained that the City of Clearwater approved the bulkhead line as it conforms with the entire area and a number of the owners in that area have agreed that no filling will be done; that it is desired for protection only.

Attorney General Ervin reported that on a recent visit to Tarpon Springs he had been contacted by residents in that area and they were in agreement with the Governor's suggestion that no further sales be made until an over-all bulkhead line had been established, not only for Clearwater and St. Joseph's Bay but in the Tampa area also; that if one sale was approved without the over-all line there would be trouble.

Mr. Wightman stated that he did not believe that would apply to his application as there would be no filling and the City and County both have approved the bulkhead line south of Courtenay-Campbell Causeway.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Authority and confirm sale of the submerged land applied for in favor of Mr. Wightman at the price offered - \$250.00 per acre.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 213-52-253.12 - Application of Paul F. Randolph, represented by H. H. Baskin, Sr. Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority advertised a hearing on proposed bulkhead line and sale of a parcel of submerged land applied for by Mr. Randolph, abutting upland owner, with consideration to be given by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund on this date. Both the bulkhead line and the sale were approved by the Pinellas Authority. The application comprises a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Sound in Sections 32 and 33, Township 28 South, Range 15 East, and in Sections 4 and 5, Township 29 South, Range 15 East, containing 172.65 acres, more or less.

No offer was made for purchase of the land and numerous objections have been filed to the sale. It was recommended that action be deferred for further study.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on both the sale and the bulkhead line pending further study.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 214-52-253.12 - Application of Robert A. McKay, represented by Joseph S. Clark. On July 10, 1958, Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approved establishment of the bulkhead line and the purchase of 1.4 acres of submerged land at "The Narrows", Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, lying in a portion of Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East. The submerged land lies adjacent to Lots 6, 9, 12 and 15 of Block 2, Mr. McKay's upland property.

No offer was made for purchase of the property and the application and data having been received from the County only a few days ago, the Director recommended that action be deferred for study and agreement as to the price to be fixed for the land; also that the parcel is in a zone in which the Trustees indicated no further approvals until establishment of the bulkhead line from Old Indian Rocks Bridge to Welsh Causeway.

Mr. Clark submitted a map showing a proposed bulkhead line between the waterway and the westerly shore of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, which line appeared to be approximately 250 feet westerly from the centerline of the waterway. He stated that there are five towns along the Narrows, two desiring bulkhead lines and three not asking for the line to be fixed.

The Trustees felt that it would be desirable for the cities and the county to coordinate their bulkhead lines in order to have a continuous line along that entire zone. Mr. Clark was requested to try and work out some such agreement with the five municipalities for coordinating the municipal bulkhead lines with the County. It was also suggested that it might be helpful if the Trustees sent their engineer down to work with the County and municipal engineers in an effort to establish a complete bulkhead line from the Old Indian Rocks Bridge to Welsh Causeway.

Without objection it was agreed that upon Mr. McKay conforming his application to the city and county bulkhead lines, the Trustees would approve the sale of the submerged area, contingent upon offer of the appraised value, when the bulkhead lines have been coordinated to meet approval of the Trustees; all to be submitted for final approval.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 217-44-253.12 - Ferdinand Prybl, abutting upland owner, represented by John P. Goggin, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Long Key Bight in Section 34, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 1.5 acres, more or less.



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 215-48-253.36 - W. C. Ruehmele, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre, or the minimum of \$200.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Conway in Section 29, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 0.122 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$200.00 and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Ruehmele.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BAY COUNTY: William H. Sapp of Panama City, Florida, came before the Trustees with request for permission to dredge a swimming pool in St. Andrews Bay abutting his property described as Lots 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, (less North 14 feet of Lot 18), Block 5, St. Andrews Bay Railroad Land & Mining Company Plat of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 1, Township 4 South, Range 15 West, together with all land lying between said lots and the water's edge of St. Andrew's Bay; the material dredged to be placed on his upland property.

Mr. Ferguson explained that he had advised Mr. Sapp of the procedure which he could recommend in cases of this kind, which was that applicant pay for the material taken at the rate of five cents (5¢) per cubic yard, which amount was computed on an 8-foot depth of cut. On that basis the cost would be approximately \$150.00.

Mr. Sapp objected to paying for the material to be removed on the ground that he was repairing erosion damage caused by storms and currents washing away his property. Also, that information had been received that additional applications were proposed for dredging swimming pools in that area and using the material for filling purposes; that the usual procedure was to charge for fill at the prevailing rate and he felt he should call the conditions to the attention of the Trustees, because there would be other applications taking fill material without cost.

The Trustees were of the opinion that since there was a question of erosion, and the fill was to repair property that had been taken away, there was justification for granting request from Mr. Sapp.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees allow Mr. Sapp to dredge in St. Andrews Bay in front of and within the area riparian to Lots 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, less the North 14 feet of Lot 18, Block 5, in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 1, Township 4 South, Range 15 West, conditioned that the spoil from such dredging shall be placed landward of the mean high water mark of said lots and that no new land shall be built.

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DADE COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that Deed No. 21333 was issued by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund September 7, 1956, in favor of Miami Collection Agency, Inc., and John C. Cutting, conveying Lot 1, Section 21, Township 58 South, Range 41 East, containing 0.98 of an acre, for which grantees paid \$760.00. Subsequent to the sale it was learned that tax deed issued to Sun Land Company June 2, 1902. Suit was brought by Miami Collection Agency and Mr. Cutting against the Sun Land Company in the Circuit Court of Dade County, which resulted in a final decree being entered in favor of said Sun Land Company against grantees named in Deed No. 21333.

Recommendation was made that refund of \$760.00 be authorized in favor of grantees in Trustees' deed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize refund of \$760.00 to Miami Collection Agency, Inc., and John Cutting, representing an amount paid for Lot 1 of Section 21, Township 58 South, Range 41 East, containing 0.98 of an acre, conveyed by Deed No. 21333 dated September 7, 1956. Subsequent to Trustees' sale it was discovered that tax deed had issued to Sun Land Company June 2, 1902. Warrant was ordered issued in the sum of \$760.00.

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FRANKLIN AND WAKULLA COUNTIES: State Board of Conservation advised that Radcliff Gravel Company desires renewal of its Shell Lease No. 673, which expires October 28, 1958. The said lease covers sovereignty areas in the Gulf of Mexico, bays and tributaries in Franklin and Wakulla Counties. The Board of Conservation approves a three-year extension, with provision to limit the dredging to areas approved by the Conservation Board, and requirement for dredging to be suspended whenever said Board finds operations harmful to marine resources or not in the best interest of the State.

Recommendation by the Director was for issuance for a three-year new lease with royalty of fifteen cents (15¢) per cubic yard, a monthly minimum payment of \$35.00, a surety bond of \$5,000.00, and inclusion of clauses as recommended by the State Board of Conservation.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of a new three-year lease in favor of Radcliff Gravel Company covering the area described in Lease No. 673, under the terms and conditions as recommended by the Director.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Mark Smith submitted application for permit to remove 300 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of state-owned Lake Letta, in an area riparian to applicant's upland in Pinecrest Lakes Subdivision in Section 25, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, Highlands County.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees issue permit in favor of Mr. Smith for removing the material requested at the minimum charge of \$25.00.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Request was presented from J. W. Clark, owner of the S½ of Section 24, Township 42 South, Range 38 East, and holder of farm lease No. 1171 dated April 14, 1958, on Sections 1, 2, 12 and 13, of said township and range, that the Trustees join as co-plaintiffs, without liability or expense, with Mr. Clark and possibly others to secure easement for ingress and egress along the East bank of Lateral "A" Canal across Section 36, Township 42 South, Range 38 East, there being no reserved right of way across this section other than the canal. Information was furnished that a road was constructed to the north line of Section 36 at which owners have erected a barricade. Proposed legal proceedings will be brought in the Circuit Court. It was recommended that the Trustees join as co-plaintiffs, without liability and expense.

Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, reported that two decisions of the Supreme Court of Florida relating to this question had left it in doubt; that since the Trustees had granted the lease without provision for access to the land it would probably be fair to join in the suit to give emphasis.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that upon the agreement by Mr. Clark to pay all costs and expenses and to hold the Trustees harmless from any such cost and expense, that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund agree to join in the suit proposed to be brought.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The State Road Department submitted application for a revised perpetual easement for roadway purposes over submerged bottoms of Old Tampa Bay for the Third Bay Bridge Interstate Project. The Road Department agreed to reconvey to the Trustees all of those bottoms in Pinellas County heretofore conveyed on the 8th of August, 1940, in exchange for the revised easement.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant the request and authorize issuance of the revised easement upon reconveyance by the State Road Department of the easement granted in August 1940.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Request was made on behalf of Bernie Dixon for disclaimer covering a strip of land approximately 2,200 feet by 70 feet along the North edge of a peninsula extending into Little Sarasota Pass in Section 32, Township 37 South, Range 18 East. The strip was formerly part of the Dixon upland, but was excavated by him, and he is now seeking permit from Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority to refill the excavated area with material from his upland.

Based on review of the request with Mr. Dick Lee, representing Mr. Dixon, and his offer to furnish certificate from a title company as to ownership, recommendation was made that disclaimer of the strip be authorized upon receipt of said certificate of title.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as recommended.

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The U. S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, requests continuance by the Trustees of participation in the Cooperative Water Resources Investigations for the year July 1, 1958 - June 30, 1959, which calls for expenditure of \$18,000.00 - \$10,475.00 from the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and \$7,525.00 from local interests in the area to be covered by the investigations - which total will be matched by the United States. Continuance in this program was recommended.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the allocation of \$10,475.00 for the Water Resources Program, conditioned upon local interests participating \$7,525.00 and the Federal Government matching with \$18,000.00.

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Mr. Ferguson recommended that Mr. A. Rees Williams, the Assistant Engineer of the Trustees, be designated as Acting Engineer, Mr. W. Turner Wallis having submitted his resignation effective August 31, 1958. The Director outlined Mr. Williams' qualifications and commended him for the fine service he had rendered in the work of the office since he (Mr. Ferguson) had been Director.

In considering the recommendation from the Director, the question of salary was brought up and discussed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that effective September 1, 1958, A. Rees Williams be designated Acting Engineer for the Trustees at a salary of \$9,500.00 annually, until such time as determination could be made as to a permanent Engineer.

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Mr. Terry Lee, Coordinator for the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, reported that a committee of the Board had agreed August 4, 1958, to recommend to the full Cabinet the following:

"August 7, 1958

Honorable Richard W. Ervin  
Attorney General, The Capitol  
Tallahassee, Florida

Attention: Mr. Ralph McLane

Dear General:

At the conference between the Special Cabinet Committee and the Mayor, the City Manager and the City Attorney of the City of Tallahassee held in the office of the Comptroller last Monday, August 4, it was agreed that the Special Cabinet Committee would recommend to the full Cabinet the Following:

1. That the State of Florida would convey to the City of Tallahassee:

The north 90 feet of Lots Numbered 1 and 2, all of Lots Numbered 3, 4, 5 and 6, and the north half of Lots Numbered 23 and 24 of Capitol Place as shown upon a map or plat of Capitol Place in the City of Tallahassee appearing of record in Deed Book CQ, at page 586, of the public records of Leon County, Florida;

which the State acquired at a cost of \$122,755.20.

The above described properties are located in the block bounded on the west by Adams Street, on the north by Gaines Street, on the west by Duval Street and on the south by Bloxham Street.

2. That the City of Tallahassee would in turn convey to the State of Florida:

Lot Numbered 256 of the Original Plan of the City of Tallahassee located upon the southwest corner of Duval and St. Augustine Streets and Lots Numbered 18, 19, 20 and 21 of the Original Plan, which are located between Lafayette and St. Augustine Streets and north of Meridian Street and which are being used at the present time as a parking lot in connection with the Carlton Building,

at the appraised value of \$129,918.00.

3. That the State of Florida would credit the City of Tallahassee with the sum of \$7,162.80, which is the difference between the value of the land to be conveyed by the City to the State and the land to be conveyed by the State to the City, which credit would be held by the State and subsequently paid to the City of Tallahassee to be used in paying part of the award that might be made in favor of the owner of the south half of Lots Numbered 23 and 24 of Capitol Place located upon the northeast corner of the intersection of Duval and Bloxham Streets.

4. That the City of Tallahassee will proceed with all dispatch in the acquisition of the south half of Lots Numbered 23 and 24 of Capitol Place by eminent domain proceedings.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

/s/ James Messer, Jr.

JM-Jr/er

City Attorney

cc: Hon. Davis H. Atkinson, Mayor  
Mr. George C. White, City Auditor  
and Clerk"

Mr. Lee suggested that the Trustees could take official action authorizing the Attorney General to draw the necessary deeds in favor of the City of Tallahassee in exchange for proper deeds from the City to the State.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson and adopted, that the Trustees approve the exchange as approved by the Special Cabinet Committee of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, with request that the Attorney General draw up the necessary deeds to carry out the transaction.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that Mr. Ferguson issue the required ninety-day notice to Mrs. Jewett Moore that she vacate the premises - known as the Monroe Inn - which she occupies at 119 West Gaines Street, and remove the building thereon within the ninety-day period.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Attorney General Ervin stated that Representative Charles D. Stewart of Okaloosa County, had called and asked that he request reconsideration of the application submitted to the Trustees July 22, 1958, from Carl and Louise Brown. The applicants had offered \$30.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953, of the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 22 West, containing 40 acres. At the July 22nd meeting, the Trustees had declined the offer and fixed a price of \$400.00 for the land, which was at the usual base bid rate of \$10.00 per acre. The file was reviewed and statement from the Clerk brought out that taxes had been paid on the land since 1916 to 1954 except for the year 1933. Since 1954, the land has been under homestead exemption.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees rescind action taken July 22nd, on the application from Mr. and Mrs. Brown, and authorize conveyance under Chapter 28317 upon payment of \$30.00, on the ground that it was considered a hardship case.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees disclaim interest in certain Murphy Act certificates certified to the Trustees under Chapter 18296, involving land in Citrus and Okaloosa Counties, the Attorney General's office having advised that no title vested in the State to the land covered by said certificates.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

*John T. Ferguson*  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

*Richard W. Ervin*  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

Tallahassee, Florida  
August 19, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins	Governor - Present Part Time
Ray E. Green	Comptroller
J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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LAND SALES

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 177-08-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Leo Wotitzky on behalf of Grove City Realty Corporation, abutting upland owner, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Lemon Bay in Sections 8 and 17, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, containing a total of 4.81 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Punta Gorda Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection to the sale was filed by William C. Sowell and wife, owners of Lots 28 and 29, and recommendation was made that the sale be deferred anticipating that the differences might be worked out.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the sale applied for by Grove City Realty Corporation and request interested parties to try and work out objections.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY LANDS:

1. File No. 68-31-253.12 - On July 8, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre from Charles R. and Robert E. Beesley, abutting upland owners, represented by Vocelle and Vocelle, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 31, Township 30 South, Range 39 East, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less.
2. File No. 188-31-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Robert R. Duerden and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.
3. File No. 189-31-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Peter K. Pappas and wife, the abutting upland owners, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.
4. File No. 190-31-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Walter D. VanDusen, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.



5. File No. 191-31-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Ayn D. Schwab and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.

6. File No. 192-31-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$230.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Gordon Lackey and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Merriman, Boring and Sutherland, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Sebastian River in Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 38 East, containing 0.11 of an acre, more or less.

The Indian River County land was advertised in The Press Journal, Vero Beach, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Descriptions of the six (6) parcels were called out, and there were no objections filed or presented to any of the sales.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm the six (6) sales in favor of the applicants at the price offered by each.

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#### MONROE COUNTY LANDS:

1. File No. 179-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Arthur E. Sieber and wife, the abutting upland owners, represented by Billy Conner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 21, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.

2. File No. 180-44-253.12 - On July 8, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from F. P. Sadowski, the abutting upland owner, represented by Dubbin, Blatt, and Schiff, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Shelter Key, comprising 0.73 of an acre, more or less.

3. File No. 181-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from the abutting upland owners, Birge G. Darling and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, comprising 0.51 of an acre, more or less.

4. File No. 182-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from the abutting upland owners, Thomas B. Lipe and John A. Grimaldi, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 24, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Plantation Key, comprising 0.76 of an acre, more or less.

5. File No. 184-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from the abutting upland owners, H. W. Haggard and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, comprising 2.50 acres, more or less.

6. File No. 185-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price, \$300.00 per acre, from Daniel R. Smith and wife, the abutting upland owners,

represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, comprising 0.55 of an acre, more or less.

7. File No. 187-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Thomas H. Ward, Jr., and wife, the abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, comprising 0.62 of an acre, more or less.

8. File No. 193-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from the abutting upland owner, Paul J. Heisler, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, comprising 0.82 of an acre, more or less.

The Monroe County land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. Descriptions of the eight (8) parcels were called out, and there were no objections filed or presented to any of the sales.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm the eight (8) sales in favor of the applicants at the price offered by each.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 183-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Carl Schaffer, the abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for sale of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.65 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. Objections were filed by D. and C. Co., Inc., and recommendation was made that action be deferred.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on sale of the parcel applied for by Carl Schaffer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 186-44-253.12 - On July 1, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Charles D. Dean and Gaines G. Dean, abutting owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for sale of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication filed with the Trustees. Objections were filed by O. B. Sabin, and recommendation was made that action be deferred.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer action on sale of the parcel applied for by Charles D. Dean and Gaines G. Dean.

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#### APPLICATION AND BULKHEAD LINE

GULF COUNTY: File No. 233-23-253.12 - Application was presented for formal approval of a bulkhead line by Silas R. Stone, on behalf of Pick Hollinger, Gypsy A. McNeill, James T. McNeill, Jr., Ruth McNeill Walker, and Marian W. Williams, adjacent riparian owners. Information was furnished that the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County approved said bulkhead line on August 4, 1958 in compliance with law.

Application was also presented by Mr. Stone, on behalf of Pick Hollinger, Gypsie A. McNeill, James T. McNeill, Jr., and Ruth McNeill Walker, for purchase of parcels adjacent to riparian upland of each applicant, comprising 420.75 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph Bay in Sections 1, 2, 11, 12 and 14 of Township 9 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County. Offer of \$100.00 was made for the 420.75 acres.

Recommendation was made that appraisal be secured before sale is made.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the bulkhead line be approved as set by the County Commissioners; that the land be advertised for sale subject to objections only, and that sale be made conditioned upon applicants offering the appraised price.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were submitted for purchase of submerged land abutting upland property of applicants:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 218-44-253.12 - Applicants George M. Dykes and E. Clyde Vining, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 27, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.83 acres, more or less.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 220-44-253.12 - George H. Hamp and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.49 of an acre, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 219-44-253.12 - Alban E. Reid represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land adjacent to his upland in Rock Harbor in Section 5, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 3.50 acres, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 221-44-253.12 - Eugene L. Lowe, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 for the parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.1 of an acre, more or less.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 222-44-253.12 - Sanel Beer and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less.

6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 225-44-253.12 - Julian W. Harmon, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 7, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 2.70 acres, more or less.

7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 226-44-253.12 - M. H. Grant and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, for a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the seven (7) applications listed, subject to advertisement of the land described for objections only, based on the offers submitted.



PASCO COUNTY - Howard A. Burkland presented request that the Trustees formally approve a bulkhead line in front of the S $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 31, Township 25 South, Range 16 East, Section 6 of Township 26 South, Range 16 East, Sections 1, 12, 13 and the N $\frac{1}{4}$  of 24 of Township 26 South, Range 15 East, established by Pasco County July 22, 1958; and Mr. Burkland also made application to purchase four tracts of submerged land comprising approximately 1,500 acres within the said bulkhead line, offshore from upland property which he has contracted to buy from private interests.

The Bulkhead Resolution of the county accepted the offer of the applicant to grant 20 acres on the Gulf for beach purposes in exchange for approximately 2 acres on Green Key owned by the county and now used as a public beach, the offer to grant a 25-acre school site to be referred to the Pasco County Board of Public Instruction, and approved the bulkhead line subject to the State Board of Conservation reporting no objections and no damage to marine life. The applicant has agreed to a cut back at the request of the City of Port Richey.

Information was presented that the areas sought for purchase are parts of an extremely shallow, largely mangrove swamp, with ragged shore line. Reports by biologists show sparse growths and little value of the area to sport or commercial fishing. The State Board of Conservation required additional time to complete an investigation leading to a recommendation.

Attorney General Ervin called attention to the large area under consideration, and the distance from shore that the proposed bulkhead and sale extends, making this situation different from the usual type of fill that allows an upland owner to correct or improve an area along his shoreline. In view of the increased protests to commercial-type development along the coasts of Florida, the Trustees have tried to be sure that development is in the public interest.

The Pasco County Resolution stated that development will convert unusable land, but protests have been filed by Mrs. Dolores Bigelow on behalf of the Alliance for Preservation of Natural Resources in Pinellas County, F. I. Grey, S. E. and B. L. Mickler, the latter being upland riparian owners within 1,000 feet of the area sought.

Mr. Burkland discussed his proposed plans which call for an investment of approximately \$200,000,000 in this development.

Motion was made and adopted that this proposed purchase as well as the bulkhead line be advertised for objections, giving those in the area public notice. The Director was asked to contact the State Board of Conservation for a report before the expiration of the four-weeks advertising period as to the apparent effect of the proposed development.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BROWARD COUNTY: Ocean East Apartments, Inc., made application to the Trustees to install six (6) groins for protection against erosion at its property in Government Lot 9 of Section 6, and Government Lot 1, Section 7, Township 49 South, Range 43 East, fronting approximately 200 feet on the Atlantic Ocean.

The applicant secured the services of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and favorable report with recommendations for construction of the groins is on file.

Mr. Larson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Green and carried, that permit be issued for installation of six groins in compliance with the Laboratory's recommendations.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY - The following three (3) applications were made for permits to remove fill material from the bottoms of Lake Placid:

1. Roy J. Peoples requested permit to dredge 200 cubic yards of material in the area riparian to his upland Lot 6 of Lake Placid Shores Subdivision, the material to be used for beach improvement.
2. Andrew W. Kosola requested permit to dredge 200 cubic yards of material in the area riparian to his upland Lot 7 of Lake Placid Shores Subdivision for beach improvement.
3. Clyde J. Thomason requested permission to dredge 200 cubic yards of material in the area riparian to his upland Lot 8, Lake Placid Shores Subdivision, material to be used for beach improvement.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that three permits be issued for removal of the material applied for upon payment of the \$25.00 minimum charge in each case.

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MARION COUNTY - Farris Bryant appeared before the Board on behalf of application of his client, Charles Cook, to purchase a tract of exposed bottom land on Lake Kerr in front of Lot 1 of Titcomb's Subdivision of Government Lot 1, Section 16, Township 13 South, Range 25 East. Applicant proposes to fill with upland material, with no fill material to be taken from the lake by dredging. Two additional canals heretofore authorized will be dug, the soil being used as fill material.

The Trustees expressed a willingness to sell the parcel, and motion was made, seconded and adopted that the parcel be appraised and upon acceptance by the applicant of the appraised price, the matter be brought back to the Board for further action before advertising.

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OSKEECHOBEE COUNTY - J. E. Lee made application for 25-year lease covering a parcel of land west of Taylor Creek, South of Connors Highway, within the U. S. right of way, approximately 4 acres in Section 35, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, with offer of \$36.00 per acre per year, for development of facilities for fishermen, with cabins and free public boat ramp. The Director recommended approval of 25-year lease at \$36.00 per acre per year subject to approval of the plan by U. S. Engineers and coordination of development plan with the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, with which agency Mr. Lee has pending application for lease of adjacent inland property, and recommended further that any renewal be by entirely new negotiation.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that lease to Mr. Lee as recommended by the Director be approved, subject to clearance with U. S. Engineer and Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, any renewal to be by new negotiation.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY - Upon presentation of information that Errol Moree, Vernerl Knowles and W. H. Jones, Jr., holders of Treasure Lease No. 1125 issued June 3, 1957 for 2-year period, covering 1 acre of submerged land, have not paid rental due on June 3, 1958 nor responded to notice sent by registered mail, motion was made, seconded and adopted that said lease be cancelled.

SANTA ROSA COUNTY - Upon request of Florida Board of Forestry, it was moved and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Fish Hatchery Sawtimber-Pulpwood Sale involving 620 acres of land in Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, conditions of sale having been examined and sale being advertised in accordance with law.

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SUWANNEE RIVER - MADISON, SUWANNEE, LAFAYETTE, GILCHRIST, DIXIE and LEVY COUNTIES - Application was presented by T. G. Morley for a 3-year lease or permit to remove deadhead timber, and for general salvage from the Suwannee River between Ellaville and the mouth of the river at the Gulf of Mexico.

Similar application was also presented from Senator T. Drew Branch, who was present at the meeting.

Suggestion was made by the Attorney General that bids be asked for in open competition, and rules be prepared setting out regulations for the salvage work.

At the suggestion of the Governor, it was agreed that the matter be taken up with interested parties, and the Suwannee River Water Conservation and Control Authority be requested to make recommendation action by the Board to be postponed for about a month.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY - On May 13, 1958 the Trustees authorized issuance of 10-year lease in favor of Gerald P. Bohm covering exposed state-owned bottom land in Lake Ashby riparian to his Lot 9, Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, 1.1 acres. The instrument had not been delivered, and protests were filed by the Board of County Commissioners with request for modification, and from parties who have been using the lakeshore and a roadway through Mr. Bohm's property.

Letter from Senator Gautier was presented, and Resolution of the County Commissioners was read. Residents from the area appeared, asking that permission for Mr. Bohm to fence the area be rescinded.

The Trustees agreed that in view of the fact that Mr. Bohm was unable to attend this meeting, decision should be deferred until a later date.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be heard further on September 2, at which time Mr. Bohm or his representative should be present.

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Approval was requested by the Attorney General's office for issuance of warrants in payment for expenses in connection with the Tidelands Case - United States vs. States of Louisiana, et al. The Attorney General stated that pursuant to general authorization, his department had worked with other states in preparation of the brief in the case. Research was required involving expenses which had been apportioned to the states in the suit, Florida's portion being considerably less than the other states. Research in international law was necessary, much of the data obtained for the brief being of great value to the State of Florida. It was anticipated there would be two additional bills amounting to approximately \$1,100.00 each.

Also, the Coastal Engineering Laboratory requested allocation of \$4,000.00 for purchase of tide recorders needed in making reports on fill applications coming before the Trustees. It was suggested that said amount be allocated conditioned upon provision being made by the Laboratory for adequate insurance coverage on the recorders.



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund approve issuance of warrants in the following amounts:

Graves, Dougherty & Gee  
Professional services for International Law  
research, preparation, printing and  
drafting of brief in United States vs.  
State of Louisiana, et al (Tidelands Case) \$10,000.00

Irving B. Leveson, Assistant Attorney  
General. Special legal services outside  
of regular assignments - Tidelands Case 1,000.00

Guy Gordon, Attorney, Washington, D. C.  
Consultative legal services March -  
August 1958, Tidelands case 1,666.66

Coastal Engineering Laboratory, University  
of Florida - Purchase of Tide Recorders for  
use in coastal studies for establishment of  
bulkhead lines and fills 4,000.00

Without objection, the \$4,000.00 allocation was made subject to insurance coverage being maintained by the Coastal Laboratory as suggested.

Request was presented for authority to purchase one replacement air conditioner for the Trustees' building at an approximate cost of \$200.00.

Suggestion was made that the Director investigate the possibility of obtaining a used air conditioner from the Capitol building.

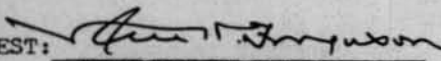
#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 698 listing 16 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto, also approving issuance of corrective deed which was approved by the Attorney General's office.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 26, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

## LAND SALE ADVERTISED FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS

ORANGE COUNTY: On July 15, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$20.00 per acre from Thomas B. McCowan for purchase of the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 31, Township 24 South, Range 27 East. The land was advertised in the Orlando Sentinel for competitive bids, and proof of publication was filed with the Land Office.

Description of the land was called out, and Mr. Ferguson reported bids of \$23.00 per acre from M. Austin, and \$37.00 per acre from Norman E. Singletary having been received before the sale. Competitive bidding resulted in the high bid of \$101.00 per acre being made by Nick Sagonias, Nick Stamathis and Gus Anaston, all of Tarpon Springs.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the high bid be accepted, and sale confirmed in favor of Nick Sagonias, Nick Stamathis and Gus Anaston.

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## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were submitted for purchase of submerged land adjacent to upland property of applicants:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 194-44-253.12 - Madco, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of four parcels of submerged land in the Bay of Florida abutting Raccoon Key, containing a total of 33.11 acres, more or less, in Sections 25 and 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 231-44-253.12 - Joe Pearlman's Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Sections 25 and 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Raccoon Key, containing 3.86 acres, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 234-44-253.12 - Charley Toppino and Sons, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by Senator W. R. Neblett, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 2.16 acres, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 235-44-253.12 - L. R. Coman, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 27, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.37 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to advertise for objections only the four (4) parcels of land described, based on the offer submitted by the abutting upland owner in each case.

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ESCAMBIA COUNTY: In meeting October 22, 1957, the Trustees approved application from the Department of the Navy for conveyance by deed of a half-acre parcel of submerged land in Pensacola Bay adjacent to the Pensacola Naval Air Station. By letter dated October 28, 1957, the Trustees were advised of a change in applicant's plans which affected the original application, and request has now been made for conveyance without reservations of a parcel containing 2.16 acres, at the same location.

Motion was made and adopted that request of the U. S. Navy Department be granted, the deed to contain a reverter clause, in the event the area should no longer be used for purposes of the Federal Government, deed to be issued without advertisement.

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GLADES COUNTY: File No. 239-22-253.36 - Application was made by U. S. Sugar Corporation, represented by W. C. Owen, to purchase reclaimed lake bottom lands lying between the meander and the U. S. - Lake Okeechobee levee in Sections 15, 16, 17 and 22, Township 42 South, Range 33 East, which areas are presently under four separate leases with expiration dates running from 1960 to 1963. The Director recommended that application be denied without prejudice, and consideration be given to sale of the areas as said leases expire.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Board.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 206-64-253.12 - A. B. White and wife, abutting upland owners, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in front of upland property in Section 35, Township 15 South, Range 33 East, and Section 2, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, within the bulkhead line fixed in 1953 by the City of Port Orange, Florida, and adopted by the County July 17, 1958.

The Director reported that an appraisal made by John E. Pearce valued this land at \$750.00 per acre, while appraisals made for applicants by a Federal Savings official and by a professional appraiser fixed the value at \$100.00 and \$115.00 per acre respectively. Applicants requested adjustment in price and it was so recommended.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to advertise the land for objections only provided applicants submit an offer of not less than \$300.00 per acre.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 177-08-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered sale of submerged land applied for by Grove City Realty Corporation, abutting upland owner, represented by Leo Wotitzky. The parcel comprises 4.61 acres in Lemon Bay in Sections 8 and 17, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, for which applicants offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre. Objections were filed on date of sale by William C. Sowell, owner of Lots 28 and 29 of Grove City Shores, which said lots front an artificially constructed canal. It was explained that development of the property proposed to be purchased would only extend the canal to deeper water and would not affect the view from Mr. Sowell's property. It was recommended that the objections be overruled and sale confirmed to the applicant.

Examination of the map accompanying the application did not show the bulkhead line and the board felt this should be shown.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the sale and request that location of the bulkhead line be indicated on the map.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Paul S. Jordan made application for approximately 400 cubic yards of material to be dredged from the bottoms of Lake Lotela, directly in front of his upland property in Lots 24, 25 and "D", Block "A", Holly Shores in Section 35, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, to be used for beach improvement only.



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit to take the material requested for the minimum charge of \$25.00.

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OKALOOSA AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: The Florida Board of Forestry requested that the Trustees approve and concur in the following:

1. Okaloosa County: Bull Pen Sawtimber-Pulpwood sale, from 898 acres in Sections 29, 32 and 33, Township 5 North, Range 25 West, and in Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 25 West. Sale is now being advertised and approval and concurrence is recommended.
2. Santa Rosa County: Oil and gas lease covering lands in Sections 26, 27, 28, 32, 33 and 34, Township 6 North, Range 27 West, being part of an area (Proj. FL-LU-4) conveyed by U. S. Forest Service to the State of Florida November 4, 1955, with reservation of 75% oil and gas interest in the Government. The U. S. Bureau of Land Management proposes lease to Homer H. Gruenther of Washington, D. C. Florida Board of Forestry advises it does not object to the lease which will carry provisions for protection of surface features and timber stands, and 25% rental will be paid to the Forestry Board by lessee. Lessee will pay fifty cents (50¢) per acre per year for five year lease with option to renew.
3. Santa Rosa County: Grazing agreement with C. L. Morris, et al, covering 78 acres in Blackwater River State Forest. Lease is now being advertised as required by the Attorney General's Office.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees concur in requests 1 and 3 - Okaloosa County timber sale and Santa Rosa County grazing agreement, but that action be deferred on Item two (2) - Santa Rosa County Oil and Gas Lease - pending definite recommendation from the Forestry Department and information as to whether the statutory requirement for advertising oil and gas leases would apply in this case.

The Director was asked to request a recommendation from the Forestry Department and clarify the question of advertising said lease for bids as required for state lands.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 227-50-253.12 - W. W. Blakeslee, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, submitted applications as follows:

1. For disclaimer under Section 9 of Chapter 57362, (Sec. 253.129) Florida Statutes 1957, covering a tract of land containing 87.57 acres; and
2. For deed under Section 11 of said Chapter 253.0013(3) F.S. 1957, to a tract of land containing 86.67 acres, both in Sections 9 and 16, Township 42 South, Range 43 East.

On May 7, 1957, the applicant paid the Trustees \$7,842.00 for the material to fill parcel in (2), said filling being done under Army Permit SAKSP 800.61(57-104) shoreward of a bulk-head line previously established by the Village of North Palm Beach. Disclaimer was recommended for a nominal charge of \$10.00 and issuance of deed for no additional charge.

Attorney General Ervin explained that he thought under the Butler Act the Trustees had no authority to make sales but the persons owning the adjoining upland along navigable waters had authority to make fills if not stopped; that under the

terms of the Butler Act title to the filled area passed to the upland owner; that the legislature recognized such rights and provided that those fills that were made prior to the 1957 Act, under the Butler Act, would be the subject of disclaimers.

Question was raised as to whether the parcel in question had actually been filled.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action on the requests be deferred until determination has been made as to extent of the fill.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: On July 18, 1955, the Trustees conveyed the North 100 feet of Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 37 East, less the North 100 feet of the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  to Palm Beach County for highway purposes. Clearance of the right of way involved changing facilities of the Glades State Prison Farm and the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions was notified that the County would pay the estimated cost of \$4,000.00 for moving the pumping station. The Prison Farm and the Division of Corrections have advised that the County is willing to pay this amount upon request from the Trustees. It was recommended that the request be made.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees request payment of the \$4,000.00 by Palm Beach County and that said amount be held in trust for the Division of Corrections with the mechanics for handling to be decided at a later date.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Application of Manuel E. Cowen, Trustee, was submitted by Graham P. Stansbury, for approval of the bulkhead line which was established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority July 10, 1958, affecting lands owned by applicant at Cross Bayou in the South One-Quarter Corner of Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East. It was recommended that the said bulkhead line be approved.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County July 10, 1958, applicable to property of Manuel E. Cowen.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Conservation Committee, Clearwater Federation of Civic Clubs, Inc., by letter dated August 14, 1958, urged requirement of over-all surveys of Clearwater Harbor, St. Joseph's Sound and the Pinellas side of Tampa Bay, and over-all bulkhead lines instead of piecemeal segments; also, that all action on applications for establishment of bulkhead lines, purchases and filling of submerged lands be suspended until the over-all survey could be made and recommendations formulated and presented. The area in question extends from Courtney Campbell Causeway to Safety Harbor.

The Trustees requested that the Director express appreciation to the Clearwater Federation of Civic Clubs for their interest in submerged lands in that area and assure them that it is the intention of this board to require bulkhead lines for areas of the shore line instead of piece meal segments.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority by Permit No. DF81 dated July 24, 1958, granted to Globe Development Company and Frontier Builders, Inc., represented by Cedio Salterelli, permission to dredge and fill lands

owned by the applicants and located in Clearwater Harbor at Belleair Beach. It was recommended that the Trustees approve issuance of permit as authorized by Pinellas County.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of said permit as requested.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Harbor Bluffs Development Corp., represented by Leo Butler, applied for deed correcting the description contained in Trustees Internal Improvement Fund Deed No. 20043 dated May 15, 1952, to said applicant. In order to effectuate the transaction the applicant has executed quitclaim deed to the Trustees to the areas originally conveyed, in exchange for a deed correcting description, which conveyance will show approximately seven (7) acres less than the original conveyance. Recommendation was made that a deed of correction be authorized for no additional charge.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of correction deed as outlined and recommended by the staff, without cost.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize purchase of an air conditioner of 3/4 HP, 115 V, 7 1/2 Amp., for the office of the Trustees to replace a defective unit.

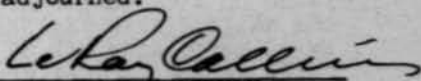
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 699 listing three (3) regular bids, with authority to issue deeds corresponding thereto.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR-CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 2, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees dated July 29, 1958 having been approved by the Attorney General and delivered to each member, were approved without objection.



### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were submitted for purchase of land adjacent to property of the applicants who are abutting upland owners:

1. MONROE COUNTY - File No. 241-44-253.12 - Ray M. Nichols, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay, Lower Matecumbe Key, in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing 0.51 of an acre, more or less. The application was recommended, subject to advertisement for objections only.
2. MONROE COUNTY - File No. 242-44-253.12 - Carl T. Hoffman and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay, Lower Matecumbe Key, in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing 0.49 of an acre, more or less. The application was recommended, subject to advertisement for objections only.
3. ORANGE COUNTY - File No. 229-48-253.36 - Arthur R. Alchin, represented by William T. Davis, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre - \$200.00 minimum in this instance - for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Conway in Section 24, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, containing 0.128 of an acre, more or less. The application was recommended, deed to be issued without advertisement.
4. ORANGE COUNTY - File No. 230-48-253.36 - Charles E. Laverty, represented by William T. Davis, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Conway in Section 24, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, containing 0.40 of an acre, more or less. The application was recommended, deed to be issued without advertisement.
5. VOLUSIA COUNTY - File No. 143-64-253.12 - H. S. Utley, represented by Duffett and Stanier, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, containing 0.7 of an acre within the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Port Orange in 1953 and adopted by Volusia County under Section 253.122(1). The application was recommended, subject to advertisement for objections only.
6. VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 232-64-253.12 - John D. Ambler and wife, represented by Kinsey, Vincent and Pyle, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in Port Orange in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, containing 0.9 of an acre within the bulkhead line fixed by said city in 1953 and adopted by Volusia County under Section 253.122(1). The application was recommended, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the four parcels of land in Monroe and Volusia Counties advertised for objections only, and deeds issued without advertisement for the two parcels in Orange County.

### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

DADE COUNTY: The Director reported that Dade County is developing plans for a causeway across Biscayne Bay from the mainland to the outer keys on the easterly border of the Bay and also engaged in fixing bulkhead lines in said Bay; that in 1957 the County was advised that no recommendation concerning the causeway could be given until the County had secured and submitted survey and recommendations from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory covering the effect of the causeway on tides and other water problems. Also, in connection with laying

out the bulkhead lines, the County Commission and the County Manager were notified that the Trustees' office would need recommendations from said Coastal Laboratory before making recommendations to the Trustees. The Director and staff felt the causeway and fills might cause change in water movements, especially during hurricanes and that a comprehensive study by the Laboratory would be necessary. It was recommended that the Dade County Commissioners be requested to have an over-all study of the proposed causeway and the bulkhead lines for that portion of the easterly side of the Bay, south of Key Biscayne.

After discussion of the subject, the Trustees requested that the Director invite the County Manager, Mr. A. O. Campbell, and anyone else he desires to bring with him, for a discussion of the situation as to what their plans are and how they can be coordinated with those of the Trustees.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Application was made by James F. McLure, represented by Harry Lee, for permit to dredge 750 cubic yards of fill material from state-owned bottoms of Lake Francis, within an area riparian to applicant's upland property in Section 14, Township 36 South, Range 29 East, for the purpose of raising the elevation of said upland property.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be deferred until recommendation is secured from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission as to whether dredging in Lake Francis would have an adverse effect on the water and fishing in the lake.

Motion was also made, seconded and adopted, that the policy of the Trustees in all future applications for dredging fill material from fresh water lakes will be to request recommendation from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

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LEON COUNTY: W. H. Brundyge, holder of Sand Lease No. 1061, requested renewal for a two-year period of said lease which expired August 31, 1958. The area covered is a portion of Ochlockonee River bottoms adjacent to the SE<sup>1</sup> of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 2 West. Recommendation was made that the royalty be increased from 10¢ to 15¢ per cubic yard, with a monthly minimum of \$20.00, and that the requested extension be allowed.

Motion was made and adopted that renewal of two years be allowed on Sand Lease No. 1061 to Mr. Brundyge, with royalty at 15¢ per cubic yard and monthly minimum of \$20.00.

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MANATEE COUNTY: On July 8, 1958, request was presented for approval of the bulkhead line for the Town of Holmes Beach, but action was deferred for certain changes to be made by the Town before acceptance and approval by the Trustees. Revised bulkhead line, modifying areas 4, 5 and 6, established by said municipality under the provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes, was presented for approval, described as follows:

Areas 1, 2 and 3 covering the area from the northerly city limits to the southerly entrance of the Yacht Club Basin, established by Ordinance No. 61 dated Nov. 26, 1958.

Area 4, lying offshore from the eastern shore line of the Town of Holmes Beach, beginning at Cobb's Marine Ways on the north boundary of U. S. Section 28, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, and extending southerly to the entrance to Sportsman Harbor, established by Ordinance No. 65 dated Jan. 21, 1958.

Area 5, from the entrance to Sportsman Harbor Waterway southeast to the Anna Maria Bridge approach causeway, Government Lot 1, Section 28, Township 34 South, Range 16 East; and Area 6, from the Anna Maria Bridge approach causeway south to the southerly boundary of the Town, in Government Lot 3, Section 28, and in Section 33, both Sections being in Township 34 South, Range 16 East; both Areas 5 and 6 established by Ordinance No. 71 dated Aug. 19, 1958.

The revised bulkhead line was pointed out on the large map submitted by Holmes Beach, the Director showing that the right of way for the causeway had been fully respected.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead lines for the Town of Holmes Beach established in Ordinances Nos. 61, 65 and 71 as described above.

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MONROE COUNTY: Application was made by the City of Key West to the U. S. Engineer Office for permit to construct a pier to extend 200 feet outward from the shore at the foot of Duval Street in Key West. Routine policy is to make no objection where such piers are open trestle types which do not deflect water currents; however, the current application will be a solid wall type which will act as a groin which would ordinarily require permit based on recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. Based on the character of the shore and location, the staff does not feel that circumstances justify requiring the City of Key West to employ the Laboratory to make a survey and report. Recommendation is that the Director be authorized to waive objection to the issuance of the United States permit.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director reported that on February 4, 1958, the tract known as Pelican Bay Veterans Co-op Project No. 1 in Township 43 South, Range 39 East, was ordered withheld from sale or other disposition and made available to the Division of Corrections. Identical action was taken by the State Board of Education on the same date. The Division of Corrections has advised that in reaching an agreement with Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District for clearing ditches on the land, the District agreed to pay the sum of \$4,860.00 for using dragline and personnel of the Division of Corrections. Request is made that the Trustees approve payment of this amount to Industrial Trust Fund Control (Tr. 6-00-130-0400), Division of Corrections.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Flood Control District be requested to make payment of the \$4,860.00 to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund for disbursement by the Trustees to the Division of Corrections.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority by Permit No. DF82 dated August 21, 1958, granted to William A. Crawford permission to dredge and fill lands owned by applicant and located in Boca Ciega Bay, easterly shore north of Welch Causeway.

The bulkhead line for the entire area not having been set, motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the permit until establishment of the bulkhead line for the area.



SARASOTA COUNTY: West Coast Inland Navigation District in coordination with the United States makes application for perpetual easements for right of way of the Intracoastal Canal, Anclote River to the Caloosahatchee River, for that portion through and over the submerged lands in Sarasota County. The Director recommended that the easements be granted.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of easements as requested by the Navigation District.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: The Director reported that on May 13, 1958, the Trustees authorized a ten-year lease to Gerald P. Bohm covering 1.1 acres of exposed Lake Ashby bottom lands in front of Mr. Bohm's upland described as Government Lot 9 of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 32 East. The County Commissioners of Volusia County filed objections to the lease and on August 19, 1958, parties protesting the lease were present. Owing to illness Mr. Bohm could not attend the meeting and this date was fixed for hearing.

A petition signed by fourteen (14) families in that area on behalf of Mr. Bohm was submitted; also telegrams objecting to the lease were received from Jean Morgan and Otto Bates of Holly Hill and by New Smyrna Beach Flo. Club, Inc. Also, a letter from Harold Vrooman to the Orlando Sentinel, confirmed damage to Mr. Bohm's property by vandalism. It was brought out that objections were mainly from county commissioners from the eastern part of the county, but very little from residents around the lake.

Mr. Bohm submitted aerial photographs and maps of the area showing his lot and the trail through the property used by the public as access to the lake. He stated that there are nine other access areas platted on the map for use of the public; that charges were made that the Boy Scouts were being deprived of their camp, but no camp was ever located at this point and recently a building on the lake was offered to the Scouts with 4 or 5 acres of land and is accessible to the lake by a logging road, in better condition than the road through his property. Mr. Bohm offered, in the event he fenced his land, to make available to the county a strip along his property line to provide a road down to the lake; that he did not intend depriving the public of use of the lake but wanted to protect his property by fencing to the water's edge.

Attorney General Ervin called attention to the cardinal rule of the Trustees in keeping beaches open for use of the public; that it was understood that this exposed strip was not permanently reclaimed; that if Mr. Bohm's rights were being invaded he should consult a lawyer and enter suit to protect such rights, possibly by fencing off his property. He felt the Trustees should exercise a "hands-off" policy in matters of this kind and that applicant should obtain legal advice as to his rights.

As to whether or not the lake was permanently lowered, Mrs. Bohm explained that New Smyrna-Deland Drainage District had drained the area and it was permanently lowered; that they had applied for the lease being under the impression that it was permanently lowered.

The Trustees were of the opinion that the lease should be cancelled in view of the public use of the lake and that the County Commissioners be requested to cooperate in opening up a public road to the lake.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees rescind action of May 13, 1958, granting ten-year lease to Mr. Bohm with permission to fence down to the waters' edge in extension of his property lines and that the County Commissioners of Volusia County be requested to provide an access road to the lake at another location not through Mr. Bohm's property.

The Director was requested to write the County Commissioners that the lease authorization had been rescinded, but that the Trustees were impressed with the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Bohm had experienced invasion of the right to enjoy their private property and felt that arrangements should be made to promptly provide adequate and reasonable public entrance to the lake that would avoid any damage to private property in the future.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296


Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 700 listing two (2) regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and for issuance of Broward County Deed No. 2594-Cor. to Broward Homes, Inc., for the purpose of more fully describing the property and to correct name of grantee, issuance of said deed having been approved by the Attorney General's office.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve disclaiming interest in certain Murphy Act certificates certified to the Trustees covering land in Alachua and Liberty Counties, the Attorney General's office having advised that said certificates vested no title in the State to the land covered thereby.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 16 and 17, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer (Present part time)
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The Director reported that a number of sales had been advertised for consideration September 9, 1958, but since no meeting was held on that date, bids were received and opportunity given for objections to be filed at the time advertised, with results as follows:

COMPETITIVE BIDS:

BROWARD COUNTY: On July 29, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of \$300.00 per acre, which was in excess of the appraised price, from Vincent Brocato for purchase of all that part of Tracts 1 to 5, inclusive, lying East of Levee L-37, in Section 9, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, Florida Fruit Land Company's Subdivision, containing 5.84 acres, more or less. The land

was advertised for competitive bids in the Fort Lauderdale News and proof of publication was filed in the Land Office.

Description of the land was called out in the Board Room on the date advertised and competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$550.00 per acre being offered by Mal Englander of Miami Beach, Florida.

The Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, by telegram after the fourth week of notice, protested the sale on the ground that it was adjacent to county-owned property and it was the desire of the County that conveyance be made to it. It was recommended that the objection be overruled and the high bid accepted.

County Commissioner Tony Salvino was present and withdrew the objection from the County Commissioners.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$550.00 per acre for the land described and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Englander.

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COLLIER COUNTY: On July 22, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$40.00 per acre from Colonel K. K. Blacker for purchase of the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 51 South, Range 28 East, containing 80 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Collier County News and proof of publication was filed with the Land Office.

Description of the land was called out on the date advertised and competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$116.00 per acre from Morris Steigler of Newark, New Jersey, who stated that his plan was to plant pines on the land.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$116.00 per acre and confirm sale of the land described in favor of Mr. Steigler.

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LEE COUNTY: On July 15, 1958, the Trustees considered application from Humble Oil and Refining Company for an oil and gas lease on the following described land:

Land to which the Trustees own fee simple title:  
Township 46 South, Range 26 East -  
Section 2, N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  or Government Lots 3 and 4 -  
80.28 acres

Land in which the Trustees own a reserved interest:  
Township 46 South, Range 27 East -  
Section 27, S $\frac{1}{2}$  less NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and less NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$  - 240.00 acres

The lease was advertised for sealed competitive bids in the Fort Myers Press and in the Tallahassee Democrat and the highest offer received was \$1,035.45 cash consideration and yearly rental of fifty cents (50¢) per acre from applicant.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer submitted by Humble Oil & Refining Company for a ten-year oil and gas lease with royalty payments of not less than one-eighth in kind or in value and the amount of fifty cents (50¢) per acre annual rental increasing five per cent (5%) of such original amount annually after the first two years.

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OBJECTIONS ONLY:

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 91-05-253,12 - On July 22, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per



acre from Menford T. and Rose Heltne, abutting upland owners, represented by Crofton, Wilson & Brewer, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, beginning at a point at the intersection of the West bank of the Indian River and the South line of Lot 63 of Riverside Park Subdivision, said South line being extended easterly approximately 181 feet to said point of intersection, for a point of beginning, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 0.477 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and objection was filed by Mrs. Florence N. Robbins of Titusville, on the ground that it was a damage to her property and against the interest of the people of Titusville.

The Director called attention to the fact that the parcel advertised was located in excess of one thousand feet from property of Mrs. Robbins and recommended that the objection be overruled.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections of Mrs. Robbins and confirm sale of the land described in favor of Mr. and Mrs. Heltne at the price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

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BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 201-05-253.12 - On July 29, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Thomas L. Moore, abutting upland owner, represented by Crofton, Wilson & Brewer, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, in the City of Titusville, more particularly described as beginning at a point at the intersection of the West bank of the Indian River and the North line of Lot 64 of Riverside Park, a subdivision of the City of Titusville, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 0.28 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and objection was filed by Mrs. Florence Robbins for the same reason as given in the above Brevard County sale - File No. 91-05-253.12. Recommendation was made that the objection be overruled and sale consummated.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objection filed by Mrs. Robbins and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Moore at the price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

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DESOTO COUNTY: File No. 203-14-253.03 - On July 22, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre from Elverne Hallman, Hallman Silo Company, the abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of sovereignty land in Hunters Creek in Section 35, Township 39 South, Range 33 East, lying westerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 and easterly of and abutting Government Lots 11 and 12, all of said lots lying in said Section 35, containing 25.67 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Arcadian Newspaper of Arcadia, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out on date advertised and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Hallman Silo Company at the price offered - \$50.00 per acre.

The following Monroe County sales, advertised for September 9, 1958, were submitted:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 196-44-253.12 - On July 15, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from James C. Pelekis, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, lying easterly of and abutting the south 859 feet of Government Lot 6 of said Section 23, containing 6.4 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Coral Tribune of Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 197-44-253.12 - On July 15, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Rimersburg Coal Company, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Card Sound in Section 31, Township 58 South, Range 41 East, lying southerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 of said Section 31, containing 22.85 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Coral Tribune of Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 199-44-253.12 - On July 29, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Ernest Leder, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, southerly of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, on Grassy Key, described as commencing at the intersection of the west line of Section 30, said township and range, and the southerly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 2.05 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 204-44-253.12 - On July 29, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Clarence F. Hewes, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying south easterly of and abutting the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Lot 8, Block 12, of Stratton's Subdivision, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Descriptions of the four (4) parcels of Monroe County land were called out and no objections were filed to any of the sales.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the four parcels in favor of applicants at the price offered by each.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 205-52-253.12 - On July 22, 1958, the Trustees considered application from Pinellas County for conveyance of an area of submerged land northerly of the present St. Petersburg-Pinellas International Airport and the request was granted, subject to advertisement for objections only, the said land to be under the supervision of the County and title to revert to the State at the option of the Trustees in event of non-use for five (5) consecutive years. No charge was imposed except the handling fee of \$10.00. The land was advertised in the Clearwater Sun for consideration on September 9, 1958.

Description of the land was called out on the date advertised and the only objection filed was by Walter P. Fuller to Pinellas Co. Commissioners citing noise to residents in the Bayview area; stagnation of the water and destruction of marine life.

A delegation from Pinellas County was present, composed of Mr. C. Ray Smith, Attorney for the Board of County Commissioner Mr. Hosey Wick, Commissioner and Chairman of the Airport Committee and Mr. L. O. Hester, and others. Mr. Walter P. Fuller, as objector, also was present.

The Pinellas delegation called attention to action taken by the Trustees May 14, 1957, authorizing conveyance of an area for airport purposes, and stated that the plat on file with the Trustees was practically the same as approved by Mr. Fred Elliot sometime ago.

Mr. Ferguson explained that sale was never consummated under the May 14, 1957, action. Subsequent to said action the County presented application for an area three-fourths of a mile longer and 1,600 feet wider than outlined by Mr. Elliot in order to accommodate modern aircraft. The staff felt the enlarged tract was necessary and so recommended. On July 22, 1958, the request was granted and the area was ordered advertised for objections.

Mr. Fuller submitted maps showing a suggested alternate location which he claimed would be more desirable and would not close up two-thirds of the little bay on which he and other residents own property. He gave information as to effect of weather conditions acquired from the Tampa Weather Bureau, and submitted that the cost to develop would be considerably less.

Mr. Wick informed the Trustees that the Civil Aeronautics Administration had recommended the area applied for by the County as the most desirable and the most economical; that its direction is approximately North-South and will be used for the high intensity line and the instrument runway; that there was no intention on the part of the County to dredge and fill out to the extent of the property requested. Explanation was made as to the height at which planes approach and take off from the airport and the entire layout had been checked and approved by the Safety Engineers of CAA; also, that the map submitted would show that the fill would not come to the northern tip of what was now upland property.

Suggestion was made that the objection might be reconciled by the County agreeing not to fill out the entire length of the property sought to be conveyed, without express consent from the Trustees, and Mr. Hester, County Engineer, agreed that if a 500 foot tapering off area beyond the northernmost extremity of land was allowed that would be satisfactory.

Mr. Fuller agreed if that provision was required, he would withdraw his objections.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance to Pinellas County of the land advertised, pursuant to action taken July 22, 1958, with the understanding that the County will have control of the entire area, provided that no filling or runways may be accomplished beyond that certain point extending 500 feet from the northernmost extremity of land without the express consent of the Trustees.

The Attorney General and the Trustees staff were requested to prepare the necessary deed of conveyance with the proper provisions and restrictions.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 254-05-253.12 - Minnie H. Andrews and Grace H. Fleming, abutting upland owners, represented by Snow and Campbell, offered \$100.00 for a strip of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, City of Cocoa, being a strip two (2) feet wide along the outer perimeter of a parcel of submerged land



required by the State Road Department for widening a feeder road to State Road Bridge and Causeway No. 520, containing 344 square feet, more or less, said strip being riparian to applicants upland and title desired to preserve such rights.

Request was also made for approval of the bulkhead line offshore from Lots 1 and 2, Hardee-Ronald Subdivision in the City of Cocoa, Florida, owned by Misses Andrews and Fleming, which line was approved by the City of Cocoa August 18, 1958.

The Director recommended approval of the application and of the bulkhead line.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the strip of submerged land advertised for objections only based on the offer of \$100.00 from Minnie H. Andrews and Grace H. Fleming.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the City of Cocoa, Florida, offshore from Lots 1 and 2, Hardee-Ronald Subdivision in the City of Cocoa.

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The following applications were presented for purchase of submerged lands abutting upland property of applicants:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 237-44-253.12 - George H. Crim abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.69 of an acre, more or less.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 248-44-253.12 - Ollie L. Evans, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 249-44-253.12 - W. L. Chambers, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 252-44-253.12 - Lawrence W. Tiedt, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 253-44-253.12 - Mrs. Madeline B. Shockey, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 1.89 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to advertise for objections only the five (5) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County, based on the offers submitted by the respective upland owners.

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: The Board of Public Instruction submitted a resolution requesting that the Trustees convey to the County, Lot 11, Block 197, Town of Okeechobee, for educational use and recreational purposes in connection with the Okeechobee Primary School recently constructed on land adjacent to said lot. The lot originally came to the State under Chapter 18296 - the Murphy Act - and was purchased from the State by the Trustees subject to outstanding drainage and municipal taxes. It was recommended that the lot be dedicated for school purposes under the supervision and control of Okeechobee County Board of Public Instruction, subject to any outstanding drainage and municipal taxes, with provision for revocation at the option of the Trustees for non-use for three (3) consecutive years.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be approved as the action of the Trustees and that dedication instrument be prepared in favor of Okeechobee County Board of Public Instruction.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: Thomas B. McCowan offered the appraised price of \$35.00 per acre for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, containing 39.88 acres, which land he stated would be drained, cleared and developed.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the land advertised for competitive bids starting at \$35.00 per acre.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 130-64-253.12 - On May 13, 1958 the Trustees denied application of J. U. Gillespie on behalf of William L. Turner to purchase 80.4 acres, being that part of an island in Indian River, Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, lying easterly of the 500-foot right of way of the Intracoastal Waterway. The major portion of the tract lies within perpetual spoil easement MSA-436 to the United States. Mr. Turner has now applied to purchase that part of the island which is easterly of the perpetual spoil easement comprising approximately 17.2 acres, being a parcel approximately 3,300 feet long, directly across the waterway from the Town of Edgewater and accessible only by boat. It was recommended that the application be denied and that the area be retained until the major portion was released by the U. S. Easement.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the application be denied as recommended.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: Florida Bridge Company, holder of Trustees Right of Way Easement No. 20840, dated December 30, 1954, represented by Robert Baynard, petitioned for consent of the Trustees to a proposed easement or permit by the bridge firm to Florida Power & Light Company, whereunder the power firm may erect poles on the right of way of the road, causeway and bridge across Gasparilla Sound.

Mr. Ferguson reported that he had learned, since coming to the meeting, that there would be a transmission line along the right of way with 213 feet of submerged cable and his recommendation was that the easement be authorized conditioned upon approval of the State Road Department as to compliance with its standards, and that formal instrument be approved by the Attorney General's office.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of the permit by the Florida Bridge

Company to Florida Power & Light Company, for construction of the transmission line along the right of way across Casparrilla Sound, subject to clearance and approval by the State Road Department.

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COLLIER COUNTY: George G. Huntoon for South 21 Investment Corporation and 28 Investment Corporation, requested disclaimer to Government Lot 2 and the E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Section 21, Township 49 South, Range 25 East, owned by said 21 Investment Corp., and Government Lot 1 of Section 28, Township 49 South, Range 25 East, owned by said 28 Investment Corp. It was explained that the chain of title to the lands described originated from the United States under the Swamp Land Patent No. 19 and subsequent conveyance by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund in 1893 to the Florida Land and Improvement Company. The Government Surveyor in 1874 described the area as being open flat, overflowed at times with salt water. At this time a small bay is evident in each tract draining out southerly to Doctors Pass. The areas are being extensively developed and in order to perfect title, applicant requests disclaimers. Information was furnished that taxes had been paid over the years.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimers, subject to approval by the Attorney General, for a handling charge of \$10.00.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 262-13-253.12 - Mr. Ben Shepard, Attorney for the City of Miami Beach, Florida, accompanied by Mr. Wilbur E. Jones, Administrator of Inter-State Highway System of the State Road Department, was present in connection with application by the City to purchase at a nominal price a certain submerged area in and around property owned by Miami Beach on which is located Mount Sinai Hospital. Mr. Shepard explained that the plan involved construction by the Road Department of a causeway across Biscayne Bay and the filling of submerged areas of state-owned bottoms adjacent to the hospital property; that the six (6) acres to be filled by the Road Department were applied for by the City of Miami Beach in order to preserve its riparian rights as water front ownership, in exchange for right of way being granted the State Road Department.

Mr. Jones explained that it was first thought the area desired for causeway right of way was property of Mount Sinai Hospital and in constructing the causeway it would be necessary to fill these submerged parcels to eliminate stagnant pockets; that the State Road Department was in accord with the plans of the City to acquire the six acres and that the Road Department had obligated itself to fill those parcels or islands and execute quitclaim deed to the City for the land so filled.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the office had no file on the application, nor description of the land sought to be acquired and called attention to the possibility of other owners in the vicinity, adjacent to the proposed fill, desiring to assert rights.

The Trustees expressed willingness to approve sale to the City of Miami Beach of the parcels applied for subject to appraisal in its unfilled state and conditioned that the deed contain a clause "for hospital purposes only".

Without objection, the Trustees agreed that the details be worked out with the Attorney General after receiving the necessary information from Mr. Shepard as to description of the parcels desired and maps showing the plans; also, that an appraisal be requested to fix the value of the land in its unfilled state, and that the deed contain a clause "for hospital purposes only".



Subsequent to the above action, and at the suggestion of the Governor, it was agreed that the Trustees voluntarily reconsider the position taken above and notify the Miami Beach officials that the Trustees would require only a nominal consideration for conveyance of the land requested, the deed to contain the restriction that the land be used for "hospital purposes only". It was so ordered.

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DADE COUNTY - CAUSEWAY AND BULKHEAD LINES: The Director reported that pursuant to action taken September 2, 1958, he had invited Mr. O. A. Campbell, Dade County Manager, and any other persons he desired to bring up, for discussions in connection with the East-West Causeway across Biscayne Bay and the bulkhead lines for the bay area, as well as land mass fills including planned water openings in the easterly zone of the Bay south of Key Biscayne.

The Dade County delegation was present, composed of Mr. Campbell, Mr. M. B. Garris, Consulting Engineer, Mr. Ralph A. Fossey, County Commissioner, and E. A. Anderson, County Engineer. Dr. Per Bruun and Mr. F. Gerritsen, of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory were also present. Also, Mr. James W. Moore on behalf of owners in the Ragged Key area was present.

Mr. Ferguson reported that he did not feel the staff could make a satisfactory report as to the effect of the East-West Causeway or even the bulkhead line in the Biscayne Bay area without report from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and had requested the Dade County authorities to consult with Dr. Per Bruun for making a study of the subject.

Governor Collins explained that the Trustees had information that the County was proceeding with development of plans for the causeway over the bay and felt that great care should be exercised to assure proper tidal flow and protection against hurricane action; that it was felt strong showing should be made of the engineering soundness of the plans and the Trustees suggested the possibility of a study by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Mr. Campbell stated that Dade County had several problems but the main one was the bulkhead line which had been established along all of the coastal frontage except three spots, which were pointed out on the map - Port of Miami area and in the vicinity of the Dade-Monroe County line; that they felt this was in line with the wishes of the Trustees and with the exceptions noted, the entire county had been covered; that the Army Engineers were undertaking a hurricane study with respect to the feasibility of the causeway; that Mr. Garris had assured the County the question of tidal flow and other protective measures were adequately taken care of; that the Department of Conservation had been asked to comment and had referred the County to the University of Miami with the result that applications were considered according to priority; that no objections have been received to date.

Mr. Fossey and Mr. Garris explained the study and investigations that had been made in correlating data necessary in planning the causeway; that the bulkhead line set is the maximum line and was approved by Dade County.

Statement was made by the Dade County delegation that the U. S. Engineers had advised that the causeway would be of assistance to their plans; that the plans for the bulkhead lines had been discussed with Mr. W. Turner Wallis, when he was engineer for the Trustees, and full consideration had been given to conservation of the areas affected.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the bulkhead maps had been received in the office about a week prior to this meeting and had been

studied very carefully; that he would like to have authority from the Trustees to approve the line as units as he felt he could recommend a majority of the areas, but there were certain sections he could not recommend without advice from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory which specializes in problems of this kind; that the problem area is from Key Biscayne southward.

Mr. James W. Moore stated that when the Dade County delegation stated there were no objections they meant except for the area south of Key Biscayne; that he represented a number of owners who objected to the plan without hurricane study being made; that his clients have contracted with the Coastal Laboratory to make a survey of their property before proceeding with development; that they were not objecting to the County's plan from the standpoint of desiring more land but wanted the Coastal Laboratory's advice and would go along with its recommendations.

Dr. Per Bruun stated that at the request of Dade County, the Coastal Engineering Laboratory expressed its opinion in letter of July 20th, which was to give preliminary review and opinion in certain matters in their field; that about 80 percent of the bulkhead line could be approved. The area to which the Laboratory had objections was pointed out. The influence of the bulkhead line and proposed fills on storm tides should be seriously considered; that study of this phase of the work required reliable data from the field as there was very little printed matter on the subject; that the Laboratory was ready to be helpful in solving the problems under consideration and were equipped to do that type work.

Mr. Moore suggested as a solution of the problem that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line in the Ragged Keys area and on the mainland and as to the remaining area that a definitive line be arrived at by Dr. Bruun, the Dade County Engineer and Mr. Garis; that when applications to fill are made that applicants be required to furnish surveys and reports by the Coastal Laboratory and any other agencies necessary to substantiate where the legally binding line should be.

The Trustees felt that the bulkhead line required further study by the staff before action could be taken.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the plans submitted by Dade County be referred to the Director and Staff for study with recommendations to be submitted to the Trustees as soon as possible; that the County and the parties objecting be notified when the recommendations will be made in order that they may be heard if so desired.

Mr. Campbell pointed out on the map an area that was the last undeveloped land in the County and the Commissioners were interested in preserving as much of the undeveloped area as possible for recreational uses of the public especially the water front property; that with those ideas in view, the County had made application for an area pointed out on the map.

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GLADES COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested easement for temporary spoil area for Canal C-1 in the unsurveyed part of Section 13, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, and in Section 18, Township 40 South, Range 33 East, lakeward of the 17-foot contour of Lake Okechobee, said easement to expire December 31, 1962.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant the request and authorize issuance of temporary easement in favor of the Flood Control District for the spoil area described.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 233-23-253.12 - Mr. Silas R. Stone of Port St. Joe and Mr. William Wightman of St. Petersburg, were present on behalf of Pick Hollinger, the McNeill, Walker and Williams families, for purchase of 420.75 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph Bay in Sections 1, 2, 11, 12 and 14 in Township 9 South, Range 11 West.

At the meeting August 19, 1958, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line set by the County Commissioners of Gulf County and authorized the land advertised for sale subject to objections only and conditioned upon offer of not less than the appraised price of the land.

The Director reported an appraisal of \$1.00 per acre for the land and recommended rejection as it was considerably less than value of the property.

Applicants submitted aerial photographs and stated that the area was sparsely settled and did not compete in value with adjoining counties; that the upland consisted of approximately 3,100 acres and it was necessary to acquire the submerged land to carry out the over-all plan. A concept of the proposed development was displayed with statement that it would require approximately five years to fill.

The Trustees advised applicants that the only inducement to sell at a nominal figure would be definite assurance of development of the area within a given time.

Pursuant to suggestion by the Governor motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to sell the 420.75 acres upon payment of \$1.00 per acre with requirement that fill be completed within three (3) years, with provision for extension of two (2) years for filling upon payment of an additional \$4.00 per acre, or a total of \$5.00 per acre, and a second extension to ten (10) years with additional payment of \$5.00 per acre; details of the sale to be worked out with the Attorney General, as well as the instruments.

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SALE PROCEDURE - BULKHEAD LINES - OFFSHORE, SUBMERGED LAND

The Director reported that in line with the views expressed by the Attorney General that bulkhead lines must be fixed to inclose offshore areas before public sales can be made, the following suggestion was made:

"Since the sale must be made on competitive bids and accurate survey must be supplied by applicant before a bulkhead line is fixed by the local governing body, it is felt that the sale terms should provide for the applicant to be reimbursed actual expenditures for survey and expense of establishment of bulkhead line. Suggested that application to purchase such offshore areas, which are not riparian to any upland, be accompanied with receipted bills for the survey and costs incurred by applicant in having the local governing body fix the bulkhead line, and that the notice of sale show that the purchaser, if other than the applicant, must, in addition to the cash payment required to cover his bid, reimburse the applicant on the date sale is confirmed in the amount actually expended for survey and for establishment of bulkhead line for the area sold, the notice to include statement of such sum; that in order for an applicant to be assured of such provision in the notice and sale that the proposed purchase be outlined to the office of the Trustees and submitted by it for preliminary approval before the applicant incurs the expense of survey and establishment of a bulkhead line"



Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the foregoing recommendation from the Attorney General and Director be approved as the procedure to be followed in future affecting bulkhead lines and sale of lands.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 195-36-253.12 - The foregoing policy having been adopted on bulkhead lines and sale of sovereignty islands and submerged lands, application was submitted from Ralph G. Turner for purchase of an offshore island comprising approximately one and one-half (1½) acres, together with the adjacent submerged land to make a total of not in excess of five (5) acres, located 1,300 yards northwest of Merwin Key, 1,700 yards southwest from Sword Point, and approximately 1,400 yards East of Pine Island in Matlacha Pass, on or near the West line of Section 31, Township 45 South, Range 23 East. A recent appraisal values the land at \$50.00 per acre.

In view of adoption of the policy affecting sale procedure for offshore and submerged areas and fixing of bulkhead lines, action on Mr. Turner's application was deferred pending working out requirements under the new policy.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Director reported that in plotting conveyances by the Trustees in Deeds 20719 and 20941 to F. F. Sadowski considerable over-lapping developed in the description as furnished by applicant. The matter was taken up with Albert S. Dubbin, attorney for Sadowski Corporation, and agreement was reached that the situation be corrected by deed of exchange between the Trustees and said corporation, whereby the said corporation would reconvey to the Trustees all those unconveyed lands lying within the descriptions as advertised and contained in original deeds. Said deed of exchange will include correct descriptions for the two parcels heretofore conveyed. Recommendation was made that the deed of exchange be authorized, subject to approval by the Attorney General of the form to be used.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the exchange as outlined be authorized, subject to approval by the Attorney General.

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MONROE COUNTY: Request was presented from Joseph E. and Hazel S. Culley, purchasers of Lease No. 431-A at Sheriff's sale on August 4, 1958, that the Trustees approve transfer of said lease to them. Copy of Sheriff's deed and executed acceptance of the provisions of the original lease were filed with the Trustees, and the Sheriff's deed recites sale under execution of Judgment recovered in Circuit Court of Monroe County June 6, 1958, at suit of Ruth Carter Vanneman as Executrix, etc., vs. John D. Masterton and Elsie Masterton, said defendants being the holders of said lease prior to the levy and sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve assignment by Sheriff's sale in favor of Mr. and Mrs. Culley as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: A. R. Hollenbeck, holder of Lease No. 773 covering 1.6 acres in Section 22, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, requested approval of assignment of said lease in favor of George H. Estes of Tavernier, Florida. Approval was recommended subject to proposed assignee furnishing certified copy of the assignment with written acceptance of all terms and conditions of original lease.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve assignment of Lease No. 773 as recommended by the Director.

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The Florida Board of Forestry requests approval and concurrence of the Trustees in the following timber sales:

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Steel Sawtimber-Pulpwood sale, 230 acres in Section 2, Township 5 North, Range 24 West;

SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Goose Pond Sawtimber sale, 1,000 acres in Sections 28, 29, 32 and 33, Township 5 North, Range 26 West, and in Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 26 West, in Blackwater River State Forest.

The Forestry Department stated that the conditions of sale had been examined and advertisement was being published.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur in the proposed sales as requested.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: The Director reported that on August 5 1958, the Trustees authorized Mr. Haynes Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County, to make sales of ten (10) lots as agent for the Trustees, with an allowance of \$10.00 per application as compensation for his services. Mr. Williams has applications for ten lots with a base offer of \$100.00 per lot and requested information on procedure for sale at the Courthouse in Okeechobee.

Without objection it was agreed that the Clerk follow the procedure applicable to sales under the Murphy Act, since title came to the State under said Act and although purchased by the Trustees would not be construed as public lands.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Patton & Kanner, attorneys for Boca Raton Properties, Inc., applied for quitclaim deed from the Trustees covering certain parcels of land in Boca Raton in Sections 29 and 32, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, said land having been submerged prior to filling thereof under Department of the Army Permit SAKSP 800.61(56-388) approved by the Trustees October 23, 1956. The approval by the Trustees of said permit was subject to the condition that applicant would pay for the material used for said filling at the rate of the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre for each acre or part thereof so filled. The total area of the parcels so filled is 17.73 acres for a total consideration of \$26,595.00 for the quitclaim, said quitclaim to include all areas lakeward of the original Government Meander outward to the physical bulkheads or retaining walls constructed at and along the bulkhead lines established by the Town Council of the Town of Boca Raton, by Ordinance No. 259 adopted August 28, 1958.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed to the 17.73 acres described in favor of Boca Raton Properties, Inc., for the consideration of \$26,595.00.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that on August 12, 1958 the bulkhead line and sale of 6.93 acres of submerged land were approved for Lido-Pinellas Corporation, subject to agreement on price after appraisal. Applicant has furnished appraisal of \$450.00 per acre from Norman Thomas and the Trustees obtained an appraisal of \$750.00 per acre from Frank P. Caldwell, Jr.

Mr. Charles R. Fisher, representing Lido-Pinellas Corporation, requested adjustment of price between the two appraisals, and the Director suggested a price of \$600.00. Mr. Thomas stated that he did not have knowledge of any sales that would justify the \$750.00 appraisal as the highest he could find was \$400.00 per acre. Mr. Caldwell by telephone reaffirmed his appraisal as being proper.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees agree to accept \$600.00 per acre for the 6.93 acres.

Mr. Fisher, on behalf of his clients, made the offer of \$600.00 per acre for the land.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Present at the meeting were C. Ray Smith, County Attorney, L. O. Hester, County Engineer, R. Hosey Wick and Evan R. Jenkins, County Commissioners, and others on behalf of the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority. The following procedure was suggested as a matter of policy with reference to setting bulkhead lines in Pinellas County.

First, all applications for either establishment of bulkhead lines or for dredge and fill permits should be filed simultaneously with the municipality (if the area is within the jurisdiction of a municipality), the Pinellas Authority, and the Trustees.

Second, no objections will be received by any of the three agencies mentioned unless filed in writing, signed by the parties objecting, within thirty (30) days after first publication of notice. Notice will state that objections must be filed within 30 days after first publication. Trustees will receive objections filed simultaneously at the local level, but will consider objections not filed locally or filed after the 30-day period only upon showing being made of good cause.

Mr. Ben Overton, on behalf of clients, mentioned the delay in processing applications, and suggested a definite time limit for receiving objections.

The Trustees urged the Pinellas delegation to proceed with all possible speed in fixing an over-all bulkhead line for the county; whereupon Mr. Smith explained that each segment established to date, including lines set by municipalities, had been correlated with the plans for the continuous county-wide line, and that while filing of the final over-all bulkhead line would require more time, the county will be able to set on a map a definitive and tentative line fixing an acceptable limit beyond which no material extensions will be allowed, to be submitted within 90-days to the Trustees for review as a general guide. This tentative line would enable consideration of pending applications.

The Trustees suggested that the tentative line be made more restrictive than liberal, and if any questions arise in working with the basic idea, the Pinellas County delegation may contact the Trustees further.

The above plans for establishing bulkhead lines for Pinellas County were adopted by the Trustees as policy.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: C. Ray Smith, County Attorney, on behalf of residents of Tarpon Springs, presented facts regarding a situation along the Anclote River where old subdivision lots have been partially eaten away by erosion so that the lots which were originally very small lots are now too small even to qualify for building permits. To process an application for dredging and filling would be more costly than the



lots are worth, and the county proposes to assist the owners by furnishing certificates of ownership and drawings by the county engineer, requesting the Trustees to grant enough fill material from in front of the partially eroded lots to fill in just to the former lot lines.

The Trustees expressed a desire to cooperate with the county in working out a solution to these erosion problems when definite application has been made, applicants to furnish certificates of ownership and engineer's drawings.

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The Trustees had up for discussion the matter of fee or charge to be made where no monetary consideration would be required from applicant but where the subject involved extra study and examination with possible legal investigation by the Attorney General, or where the application required detailed search by the Trustees Staff.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that a minimum charge of \$50.00 be required for handling applications such as referred to, determination as to whether such charge would be necessary to be left to the discretion of the Director.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 701 listing two (2) regular bids for purchase of land under Chapter 18296, and Broward County Deed No. 3064-EDDJ-Suppl.-Cor., to T. S. Pridemore, for the purpose of correcting name of the subdivision as given in original deed, and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Board of County Commissioners offered the sum of \$800.00 for purchase of Lot 6, West of Florida East Coast Railroad in Section 29, Township 46 South, Range 43 East, containing 9 acres. Explanation was made that the County foreclosed on Certificate No. 2450 of 1948 and deeded the property into private ownership. In order to perfect title in the County's grantee, the Trustees were requested to convey the said lot to the County of Palm Beach, which would in turn issue quitclaim deed to the present owners who have paid all taxes to date.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance of the lot described to Palm Beach County at the price offered - \$800.00.

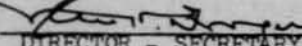
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Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaiming interest in certain certificates certified to the Trustees under Chapter 18296 affecting lands in Liberty and Marion Counties, the Attorney General's office having advised that said certificates vested no title in the State to the land covered thereby.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 23, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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The minutes of the Trustees dated August 5 and 19, 1958, were presented and upon motion duly adopted, approved.

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LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 158-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958 the Trustees considered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Dr. Russell L. Scholl, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 32, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key No. 3, containing 0.66 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by Ed R. Neff, based on a controversial title situation as to adjacent uplands approximately 800 feet away, which would appear to affect in no way the parcel included in Dr. Scholl's application.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the matter be deferred for further information and study, report to be made at the next meeting of the Trustees.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 207-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre from Edwin A. Goebel, the abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, in Section 22, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, on Windley Key, containing 0.21 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Goebel at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 208-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Raymond H. Baur and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Section 27, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, on Upper Matecumbe Key containing 2.32 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale to Raymond H. Baur and wife, of the land advertised at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 209-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Henry D. Perry and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.34 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised to Henry D. Perry and wife at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 210-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Howard F. Gluck and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Bay in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.48 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised to Howard F. Gluck and wife at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY; File No. 211-44-253.12 - On August 5, 1958, the Trustees considered offer from the Board of Public Instruction of Monroe County of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida easterly of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 1, in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, containing 1.3 acres, more or less, in Boot Key. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication being filed with the Trustees, and no objections have been filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised to the Board of Public Instruction of Monroe County at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 258-44-253.12 - Security Trust Company and Charles H. Gautier, Co-Trustees, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 1.43 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 224-52-253.12 - Dr. Fred McMullen and wife filed application with the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 16, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, which parcel begins at the Northwest corner of SW<sup>1</sup> of said Section 16, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, containing 1.90 acres, more or less. Application was also made to the County Authority for establishment of a bulkhead line within



an area and vicinity of certain submerged land located in Old Tampa Bay, South of Bayview, lying in the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said section, township and range.

Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Authority approving the bulkhead line and the sale of the submerged property was furnished the Trustees with consideration to be given by said Trustees on this date. Applicants offered \$250.00 per acre for the land.

Recommendation was made that action on this application be deferred pending establishment of the over-all bulkhead line.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on application from Dr. McMullen until the over-all bulkhead line has been established by the county.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials applied to the Trustees for conveyance for public park purposes of the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 7, Township 38 South, Range 20 East, Myakka River Valley. It was explained that on May 20, 1947, the Trustees withdrew this parcel from sale and authorized the Future Farmers of Sarasota County to make use of the land for forest planting and chapter recreational purposes. By letter dated September 8, 1958, the Future Farmers Chapter relinquished any claim and right to use the said area, a more suitable location having been made available to the Chapter by the Park Board.

The 80-acre parcel is desired to become a part of Myakka River State Park.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance of the parcel described to the Board of Parks and Historic Memorials to become a part of Myakka River State Park.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BREVARD COUNTY: Request was submitted for assignment of Contract No. 21740 from William Hechtman and Louis Hirsch in favor of Benny Teper and Leon Michaels, the assignees having filed an executed acceptance of the terms and provisions of the original contract.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 21740 as requested.

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DADE COUNTY: Mr. J. L. McCord, on behalf of Commonwealth Oil Company, for itself and Coastal Petroleum Company, holders of Oil and Gas Lease No. 340-340-A, requested extension of time within which a well must be drilled. The lease provides that lessees "shall commence and complete operations for the drilling of at least one additional well in each succeeding two and one-half (2½) years period" The two and one-half years ends October 14, 1958 and lessees advised that a road to the drilling site must be completed before equipment can be installed for drilling. The Trustees were requested to allow commencement of the well within six (6) months from October 14, 1958, such well to be drilled to a depth of 11,500 feet within twelve (12) months from October 14, 1958, thereby extending the lease two and one-half (2½) years as provided in the original lease.

The Director recommended approval of the extension by formal instrument with the provision that such action does not modify the lease in any other respect. The lease and account are reported in good standing.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant the extension requested, whereby the well shall be commenced within six months after October 14, 1958 and drilled to a depth of 11,500 feet within 12 months from said date, thereby extending the lease 2 1/2 years, said 2 1/2 year period to begin October 14, 1958; and that said action shall in no way modify other terms and conditions of the lease.

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LEE COUNTY: Request was made by Russell Mason on behalf of Florida Audubon Society for dedication or lease covering three (3) sovereignty islands or flats as wildlife refuge areas, each parcel being inhabited by large numbers of birds, said islands being designated as: (1) An island unnamed on the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Chart No. 1255 known as "Cayo Tune", located approximately 6,900 feet west of Pine Island and approximately 4,200 feet southwest from Panther Key in Pine Island Sound; (2) "Bird Island", approximately 4,800 feet southerly from Sword Point and westerly from Shell Point; and (3) "Kitchel Key", approximately 3,600 feet north-northwesterly from Punta Rassa.

Recommendation was made that the three areas be leased to the applicant for \$1.00 per year on a ten-year lease, subject to cancellation for cause on thirty days notice in writing, the lease to designate the islands for use as wildlife refuge areas only under supervision of the Florida Audubon Society.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve recommendation of the Director and authorize issuance of lease as outlined.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Request was presented from the Town of Longboat Key, with certified copy of excerpt from the Minutes of the Town Commission on August 12, 1958, for approval of the bulkhead line established for that portion of the Town of Longboat Key situated in Manatee County as shown on the Bulkhead Map.

Recommendation was made that the bulkhead line as applicable to that part of the town located in Manatee County be approved.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line for the Town of Longboat Key lying within Manatee County as established by action of the Town Commission August 12, 1958.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Request was submitted from George S. Brockway on behalf of Walter E. Travers and F. C. McKenzie, for issuance of deed to correct error in Trustees' Deed No. 19530 dated November 19, 1949. It was explained that an error was made in the reference corner that had never been established and the abstract company refused to issue title insurance.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that correction deed be authorized changing the reference point to a known and established corner at no cost to applicants.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Request was submitted from Thomas T. Cobb for issuance of deed to correct error in Trustees' Deed No. 18059 dated September 20, 1929, to the City of New Smyrna, caused by an incorrectly described call in the legal description.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of corrective deed as requested without cost to grantee.

LEON COUNTY: Governor's Mansion Buffer Zone. Mr. Ferguson recommended that the Trustees authorize extended insurance coverage through private insurance agencies on buildings recently purchased from D. Peyton Yon, Roseley Collins and R. A. Gray.

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Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that action be deferred and the Director requested to consult with the Fire Fund of the State Treasurer's Office as to the proper type of insurance to be secured.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Director's office be authorized to expend an amount necessary to remove an air conditioner unit from Room 25 of the Knott Building and make the necessary repairs to the area from which removed and to the unit so removed, at an approximate cost of \$35.00; also authority to purchase one two-drawer legal-size file cabinet at an approximate cost of \$80.00.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

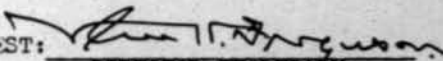
Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 702 listing 2 regular bids for purchase of land under Chapter 18296, and Dade County Deed No. 275-Cor.-Dupl.-Cor. to J. M. Goodwin for correcting description in original deed, with authorization for issuance of deeds corresponding to said report.

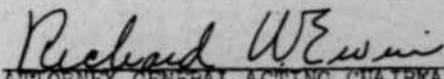
ALACHUA COUNTY: Mrs. Ruth Miller, widow, made application for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the Hardship Act, of Lot 6, in SW<sup>1</sup> of Lot 12 of S<sup>1</sup> of Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, and submitted an offer of \$50.00 which is in excess of the regular base bid. Explanation was made that Mrs. Miller was the former owner on June 9, 1939, and sold the parcel on December 23, 1949 to Thomas Ernest Stalnaker by warranty deed. She desires deed from the Trustees in order to perfect title in her grantee.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer from Mrs. Miller and authorize conveyance to her of the land described, under provisions of Chapter 28317.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 7 and 8, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson | Director



## CONSIDERATION OF ADVERTISED LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 158-44-253.12 - On September 23, 1958, the Trustees considered sale of land applied for by Dr. Russel L. Scholl, abutting upland owner, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre. Objections to the sale were filed by Ed R. Neff who claimed ownership of a parcel approximately 800 feet distant from the property under consideration. The Trustees deferred action for further study of the objection.

The Director explained that the staff could find no reasonable grounds for allowing the objection and the file was reviewed with the Attorney General who felt that the protest was not well founded. It was recommended that the objection be overruled and sale confirmed in favor of applicant.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees overrule the objection filed by Mr. Neff to sale of the parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida, Section 32, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key, containing 0.66 of an acre, and confirm sale in favor of Dr. Scholl, the abutting upland owner, at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 212-51-253.12 - Mr. Ferguson reported that on August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered bulkhead lines fixed by Pasco County July 22, 1958 in connection with application from Howard A. Burkland, holder of contracts covering upland, to purchase submerged land riparian to such upland, said submerged land being:

- (a) 392.7 acres in front of S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 31, Township 25 South, Range 16 East;
- (b) 187.44 acres around Deer Isle or Green Key in Section 1, Township 26 South, Range 15 East;
- (c) 584.00 acres in front of Fractional Section 12, and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 12, Township 26 South, Range 15 East;
- (d) 415.00 acres in front of S-3/4 of Section 13, and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, Township 26 South, Range 15 East,

making a total of 1,579.14 acres, more or less, for which applicant offered \$150.00 per acre.

The Director explained that the proposed development would commence at the South limit of the Town of Port Richey, extending southerly 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles, including shallows, mangrove and flats, with maximum depth at low water of 4 feet at northwest corner of parcel "(a)" and overall average depth of less than 2 feet. The County fixed the bulkhead line under the 1957 Act, held public hearings, without objection, and gave approval in the belief that the State Board of Conservation would not object and that the fill would not be detrimental. Applicants furnished two reports of biologists, each being favorable, evaluating effects on marine, animal and plant life, commercial and sport fishing, mosquito menance, etc. Report from the State Board of Conservation was submitted and summarized, attention being directed to possible reductions, nursery and sanctuary areas for shrimp and fish, and value of the area for sports and commercial fishing.

On September 23rd, after completion of the publication, the Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution rescinding action of July 22nd, giving as the reason that the report of the State Board of Conservation was unfavorable, being adverse to fishing; that no report had been made by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory on navigation and tidal effects, and seeking to cancel the advertised hearing for this date. The Director advised the County that he could not cancel the hearing since there would not be a meeting of the Trustees prior to the hearing date to authorize such cancellation; also that the

Bulkhead Law did not require report from the Coastal Engineering laboratory. The proposed sale and development had been discussed informally with members of the Coastal Laboratory and there being no erosion problem or history of hurricane damage, requirement for such report was waived, and as to navigation, little of the area is navigable at low tide. The applicant furnished a report by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory showing that the proposed project "will most likely have little or no adverse effects in regard to wave action, erosion or accretion." It was felt that the proposed dredging of channels in the development obviously would not damage navigability.

Certain plan modifications were suggested and attention of the Trustees was directed to whether or not the bulkhead line fixed July 22nd was subject to withdrawal without due consideration by the Trustees of the line fixed and the application to purchase, that if the line and sale were to be considered, evaluation of the report by the Board of Conservation appeared necessary in relation to economic and other advantages offered by the proposed fill; that should action be taken on establishment of the bulkhead line and purchase application, the staff recommended approval of each.

Mr. Ferguson reported objections filed to the application from the following:

- F.I. Grey & Sons, New Port Richey - Loss of boating and fishing;
- Mrs. Dolores Bigelow, St. Petersburg, on behalf of Alliance for Conservation of Natural Resources in Pinellas County - General objection;
- Milton D. Jones on behalf of S.B., Gladys and B.L. Mickler of Tarpon Springs - Concerning mortgage on upland and riparian rights in connection with land south of application;
- Richard C. Davis on behalf of Elmer Scarr - Owner one-fourth mile away, and
- Samuel H. Baker of New Port Richey - Concerning fishing camps within bulkhead line.

Also, a petition signed by several hundred people favorable to the proposed development.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Micklers, requested that the 415 acres be deleted from consideration at this time without prejudice, which would remove objection of his clients.

Mr. Ferguson reported that applicants had withdrawn application for the 415 acres in Sections 13 and 14, which would appear to remove the Mickler objection.

Mr. Anthony S. Battaglia, on behalf of Mr. Howard A. Burkland, applicant to purchase the land, stated that his client had withdrawn application to purchase the 415 acre parcel, sale of which was objected to by the Micklers and Mr. Scarr, and had agreed to donate to the County for school purposes 50 acres of filled land to be selected by the Board, and in addition had agreed to convey without cost, 30 acres for a public beach in exchange for approximately 2 acres now being used as a beach for the public. Applicants claimed that the original resolution was adopted without objection, but action taken September 23rd rescinding July 22nd resolution was without proper notice; that the statement was not correct that Mr. Burkland did not own or hold contracts to purchase all upland abutting the submerged land applied for; that it would be unfair to applicants should the Trustees take no action or reject the bulkhead line as fixed by the County, which would require new applications, new publications and expenditure of considerable money. Mr. Battaglia recommended as an alternative, that the matter not be considered at this time but be referred back to the County Commission for further consideration without requiring applicants to start all over again.

Mr. Kenneth Farnes, member of the Board of County Commissioners, advised that his board on September 23rd rescinded the resolution adopted July 22nd, and requested that the matter be sent back to the county board for further study; that he felt the matter was improperly before the Trustees since action taken by the county; that subsequent to July 22nd numerous objections had been filed to the bulkhead line and the board felt that the entire county would be best served by further study and reconsideration; that a bulkhead line should be established but not as originally fixed.

Attorney General Ervin expressed the view that since the County had rescinded the bulkhead line established July 22, 1958, that any further hearing should be at the local level and any hearing prior to that by the Trustees would be a nullity; that he did not see how the matter could pass out of the control of the County prior to action by the Trustees.

Governor Collins commented that the County having rescinded its approval of the bulkhead line, which the Attorney General felt was within its rights, the Trustees were in the position that the matter should be sent back to the County for consideration and that the applicants should work with the local agency after which the application could come back to the Trustees. Basically the decision would be made locally and the Trustees' decision would be confirmative.

The Attorney General felt that it would not be regular to do anything other than deny the application and send the matter back to the County in order that they may hold whatever hearings they desire and establish a new bulkhead line; that should the Trustees refuse to act and ask for a modified line he did not think such action would follow the language of the act; that procedurally the application should be started anew with the County since the line fixed does not have the support of the County Commissioners and without that the Trustees should deny the application.

Mr. Burkland, the applicant, stated that the County Commissioners were not in accord on the bulkhead line and suggested that the matter be referred back to the County for further consideration.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that in view of the rescinding by the County Commissioners of Pasco County of the resolution adopted July 22nd, fixing the bulkhead line referred to in this hearing, the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund deny, without prejudice, the application of Mr. Howard A. Burkland, thereby allowing applicant opportunity to file a new application with the County; that any new bulkhead line would be ultimately considered by the Trustees as provided by law.

Later during the meeting Mr. George Babin, in the interest of the Burkland application, stated that subsequent to the earlier action taken by the Trustees, the County Commissioners and the Burkland interests had a conference and the Commissioners agreed that they would reconsider and act favorably on the application. He requested that the Trustees table the matter until the County Commissioners and the applicants could re-submit the application.

Without objection, the Trustees agreed that the action taken should stand as there was a full hearing held with all parties present; that in the absence of any request from the County Commissioners for further consideration with notice that they desire to withdraw their rescinding resolution, no change would be made in action taken; that should the County request reconsideration it could be taken up at the next meeting. It was so ordered that the earlier action taken stand.



## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were submitted from abutting upland owners with recommendation that they be approved subject to advertising for objections only:

1. CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 247-06-253.12 - Punta Corda Isles, Inc., abutting upland owners, represented by W. C. Herrell, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Charlotte Harbor in Section 11, Township 41 South, Range 22 East.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 267-44-253.12 - James C. Arnold and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or the minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 268-44-253.12 - Meredith F. Campbell and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key.

The following applications were recommended without advertising:

4. ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 264-48-253.36: William P. Thomas, abutting upland owner, represented by Giles, Hedrick & Robinson, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottoms in Lake Conway in Section 8, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 0.659 of an acre.
5. ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 271-48-253.36 - Thomas J. Hobbs, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$200.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottoms in Lake Conway in Section 18, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 0.160 of an acre.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees approve advertising for objections only items 1, 2, and 3 - Charlotte and Monroe Counties - and as to items 4 and 5 - Orange County - that conveyance be made without advertising but subject to coordination with provisions of the Special Act, all based on offers submitted.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 260-31-253.12 - Hiomar Corporation of Vero Beach, abutting upland owners, represented by Sherman N. Smith, Jr., submitted application for:

1. Quitclaim deed to tract of land in Section 5, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, lying westerly of the Government meander line of Government Lots 2 and 3 of said Section 5, for the handling charge of \$10.00, and
2. A deed, subject to advertising for objections only, to a parcel of submerged land lying westerly of the mean high water mark of Government Lot 6 of said Section 5, containing 32.09 acres, for the consideration of \$200.00 per acre.

It was brought out that the United States might claim a portion of the land, but the applicant had indicated that it would take title with that understanding; also there was question as to whether or not the fill was artificial. The Attorney General's office felt that the meander line should be the point beyond which the land should be classified as sovereignty but there was doubt as to whether or not the evidence before the Trustees would impeach that line. The bulkhead line was established by the County and formally approved by the Trustees.

Without objection, action was taken to defer further consideration pending examination and report from the Attorney General.

MANATEE COUNTY: The Town of Longboat Key made application for conveyance to said town, for municipal purposes only, of a tract of submerged land, or an island, in Sarasota Bay in Section 31, Township 35 South, Range 17 East, containing 111 acres, more or less, said tract being separated from Long Boat Key by a deep channel 400 feet wide at the most narrow point. A bulkhead line was established around the said tract by the Town of Long Boat Key and formally approved by the Trustees. The application was recommended for advertising for objections only pursuant to Section 253.12 (1) Florida Statutes.

Mayor Lucille M. Lundblad and other city officials were present and urged that the tract of land be granted to the Town for public purposes such as recreational areas, play grounds, post office building, jail, library and fire station; also that by filling the area, mosquito breeding can be controlled.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees approve conveyance to the Town of Longboat Key, without cost subject to advertisement of the land for objections only, the deed to contain the clause "for public municipal purposes only".

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MONROE COUNTY: North American Wildlife Foundation, Washington, D. C., made application to acquire Government Lot 1 in Section 33, Township 65 South, Range 30 East, containing 22.50 acres, by purchase or donation with the intention of donating said tract to the Federal Government for establishment of a Key Deer National Wildlife Refuge. The Foundation further stated that if direct grant was made by the Trustees to the Federal Government its objective would be achieved.

The Director recommended that the land be offered to the United States Department of the Interior for wildlife refuge purposes only subject to reversion on abandonment or non-use for three (3) consecutive years, and that deed approved by the Attorney General be issued in the event the United States requests the grant.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the request be denied but that consideration would be given to request if made by the Federal Government.

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#### EASEMENTS

The State Road Department requested easements across the following areas:

ALACHUA COUNTY: Perpetual easement for road right-of-way purposes and temporary easement for muck disposal areas over and across the bottoms of Orange Lake in Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 22 East, comprising a 200 foot strip; and

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: Perpetual easement for road right-of-way purposes, over and across the bottoms of the Myakka River in Sections 28 and 33, Township 40 South, Range 21 East, comprising a strip 120 feet in width.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of easements in favor of the State Road Department across the areas described.

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Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District made application for the following easements:

LEE COUNTY: For the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, perpetual easement covering three spoil disposal areas in the open waters of the Caloosahatchee River, for maintenance of navigation; and

OKEECHOBEE-GLADES COUNTIES: Temporary spoil area easement for Canal C-40 in the unsurveyed part of Township 39 South, Range 34 East, lakeward of the 17-foot contour of Lake Okeechobee, said easement to expire December 31, 1960.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees grant requests from the Flood Control District and authorize issuance of easements covering the areas described.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: West Coast Inland Navigation District, in coordination with the United States, made application for a perpetual easement for right-of-way of the Intracoastal Canal - Anclote River to the Caloosahatchee River - for that portion through and over the submerged lands of St. Josephs Sound from the Anclote River Channel to Dunedin and of Boca Ciega and Tampa Bays from Pass-a-Grille southerly.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees grant request of the Inland Navigation District and authorize issuance of the easement across the areas described.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

DADE COUNTY: Request was submitted from Dade County Water Conservation District, represented by F.D.R. Park, for conveyance to said district of the rights in reservations for drainage and canal purposes held by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as to certain lands deeded into private ownership in Dade County.

Mr. Ferguson reported that at the meeting of September 12, 1958, the Governing Board of Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to continue the policy of conveying all rights in canal reservations to said Flood Control District in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Trustees December 20, 1949, and that the Flood Control District be given the right to make available to counties and/or other public agencies these rights in reservations. It was recommended that the Dade County Water Conservation District be advised that all requests for rights in said reservations held by the Trustees should be processed through Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District. The Director also recommended revision in deed forms approved by the Trustees June 27, 1950, used in making such conveyances to the Flood Control District so as to give the district the further right to convey to any county or other public agency such rights conveyed therein.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees adopt the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Trustees and authorize revision of the deed form as suggested.

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HILLSBOROUGH-PINELLAS COUNTIES: Bay Dredging and Construction Company, represented by Mr. Cody Fowler and Mr. Sherwin Simmons, requested that the Trustees interpret the cancellation clause in paragraph 7 of its Shell Lease No. 639. The question was referred to the Attorney General prior to the meeting and interpretation by that office was presented to the Trustees as to the following provision in the lease:



"Severth. That should said Lessee, its successors and assigns, at any time fail to live up to and carry out any of the terms and conditions of this lease, contract and permit, that then and in that event the Trustees shall have the right to cancel the same and stop the further taking of shell and sand hereunder; provided, however, that the Trustees reserve unto themselves the right to cancel this lease for any reason upon giving Lessee Thirty (30) days notice thereof in writing, and Lessee in accepting this lease agrees to hold the Trustees harmless for any and all damages which may occur to Lessee, if any, because of such cancellation".

In a discussion of the interpretation, Mr. Fowler explained that in order for the company to take advantage of depletion under the Federal income tax requirements, it was necessary to have a ruling by the Trustees that the lease would not be subject to cancellation for capricious or arbitrary causes.

Attorney General Ervin felt that the reason for cancellation should be for breach of the lease terms or some cause related to the lease, or for public use or needs of the state, but not for some arbitrary reason.

The wording of the cancellation clause was considered, resulting in a motion made, seconded and adopted, that the following interpretation be placed on the said clause:

"It is interpreted by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as giving the right to cancel for reasons such as breach of any of the covenants or a need for the lands for public use and not to give them the right or privilege capriciously or arbitrarily to cancel the lease without reason therefor."

It was so ordered that the Director was authorized to furnish a certified copy of this action to Ray Dredging and Construction Company.

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LAKE COUNTY: The Director reported that on August 5, 1958, the Trustees deferred action for two (2) months for report to be made by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission as to whether Lake Joanna had cleared since being chemically treated by Mr. Joseph Eichelberger. At that time it was suggested that deed be drawn and held for sixty (60) days and delivered without charge when the Game and Fish Commission advised that the lake had cleared. On October 1, 1958, the Commission reported that Lake Joanna checking equalled readings from distilled water. Confirmation was requested for delivery of deed to the area actually filled above mean high water.

Motion was made, and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize delivery of deed to Mr. Eichelberger without cost.

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LEE COUNTY: Request was presented from Alderman & Alderman of Fort Myers, Florida, for correction of a typographical error appearing in Deed No. 18959 dated August 30, 1944, in which a bearing in the description was erroneously given.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize correction deed in favor of D. W. Coggin, the present owner, without cost.

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MONROE COUNTY: A. M. Cunningham, et al, represented by G.A. Crawshaw, requested correction of an error in description appearing in Trustees Deed No. 21863 dated August 4, 1958,

one call having been omitted. It was recommended that correction deed be authorized, the error having been the responsibility of the staff.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of correction deed as requested, without cost.

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MONROE COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that on January 28, 1958, the Trustees authorized Permit No. 1163 in favor of Harry Gilbert to erect and maintain three (3) advertising signboards on sovereign land fifteen (15) feet outside the easterly right-of-way of U. S. Highway No. 1, in the vicinity of Gilbert's Fish and Marina just North of Jewfish Creek Bridge. Permit was granted on a year to year basis with payment of \$50.00. Vigorous protests had been repeatedly filed to the permit by Roger Lee, operator of a fishing camp some distance away, charging discrimination against other camps.

After discussion of the subject, motion was made and duly adopted, that the matter be taken up with the Outdoor Advertising Division of the State Road Department for recommendation as to whether or not the permit for erection of signs should be terminated at the end of the year period ending February 5, 1959.

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SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Request was presented from the Florida Board of Forestry for approval and concurrence of the Trustees in McDonald Sawtimber sale on 760 acres of land in Sections 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 and 18 in Township 4 North, Range 26 West, Blackwater River State Forest. Conditions of the sale were examined and advertisement for bids is now being published.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur in the said sale as requested by the Forestry Department.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director submitted bulkhead liner fixed by Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority by resolutions adopted July 2, 1958, under authority of Chapter 57-1853 and Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, for the following areas:

- (1) One foot offshore from mean high water mark for that part of easterly shore of Roberts Bay lying in NE of Section 6, Township 37 South, Range 18 East, including offshore islands;
- (2) One foot offshore from the mesne high water mark of all navigable water of Sarasota County lying south of the south city limits of the City of Sarasota, or more particularly described as one foot offshore from the mesne high water mark throughout all of that area in Sarasota County, Florida, described as follows: The E'ly shore of the Gulf of Mexico from the S. Sarasota City Limits S'ly to the Charlotte County line, except for the Venice City Limits. Also: The shores of Roberts' Bay S'ly from the S. Sarasota City Limits, except for the previously established bulkhead line which includes the islands in the N'rn part of Roberts' Bay and the E'ly shore of said bay from the S. Sarasota City Limits S. approximately 1/2 mi. Also: Little Sarasota Bay, except for the previously established bulkhead lines, one of which lies on the E'ly shore of Little Sarasota Bay, approximately 1/4 mi. S. of Stickney Point Bridge and being approximately 200' in length, and another lying on the E'ly shore of Little Sarasota Bay approximately 1 mile S. of the Stickney Point Bridge and being approximately 1/2 mi. in length. Also: Lemon Bay. Including all islands in the above described bays. Also the shores of Phillippi Creek upstream to the Dam N. of Bee Ridge Road. Also: North Creek, Catfish Creek and South Creek upstream to U.S. Highway No. 41; Shackett Creek upstream to the line of Albee Farms Road extended N.; Curry Creek upstream to the Venice By-Way; Alligator Creek upstream to the E'ly line of Sec. 32, Twp. 39 S., Rge. 19 E.;

Forked Creek upstream to S.R. No. 775; and Deer Creek from Charlotte County line to S.R. No. 777. Also: The Myakka River, from the Charlotte County line to the S'rn boundaries of the Myakka River State Park.

Protests were filed by the following within thirty (30) days after adoption of the resolutions:

E. J. Peter, Past Commander U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and U. S. Power Squadrons, Sarasota;  
Evans, Glenn and Kreag, on behalf of South Venice Corp.;  
A. B. Edwards; South Venice Civic Association; Finn W. Caspersen.

The objections were based on the one-foot line being hasty, arbitrary, capricious and unrealistic, resulting in undesirable conditions such as problems in connection with shallows and mangrove flats; effect on Peninsular Key area including two 800-foot beaches and recreation areas used by 6,500 owners in South Venice; necessary filling to compensate loss of considerable areas; protection against break-through from the Gulf; denial of right to fill by owners in South Venice; precluding protection to owners against break-through of narrow barrier reef. Objectors recommended an alternate bulkhead line at the mangrove edges next to open water.

The Authority was advised of the objections filed as well as a press statement quoting the County Attorney as indicating that the one-foot limit was not final but modifications on individual applications were anticipated.

The Director called attention to certain undesirable features of the bulkhead line which, if tentative, assures no final limitation based on consideration of protection to beach and foreshore, mosquito and other health problems, elimination of mangrove and improvement of navigation. It was recommended that the lines fixed by the two resolutions be rejected.

County Commissioner J. D. Neville and County Attorney Don McClelland, together with other interested parties from Sarasota County, were present.

After considering the presentation of the subject and the objections filed to the bulkhead line, the Trustees expressed the view that the line fixed by the County should be approved by this board and the County advised that if broad-scale modifications are presented to the Trustees they would be considered but not separate exceptions at various times.

The invitation was given to hear from any objectors who might be present. Mr. Glenn L. Berry was present and stated that he did not object to the bulkhead line fixed for the County except as to the Town of Longboat Key, Florida in Sarasota County.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority by two resolutions adopted July 2, 1958, covering the areas outlined, excluding from said approval the Town of Longboat Key. (Longboat Key bulkhead line to be discussed separately.)

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson submitted request from Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority for approval of the bulkhead line established by resolution of August 20, 1958, one-foot offshore for that part of the Town of Longboat Key situated in Sarasota County, under the provisions of Chapter 57-1853 and Chapter 57-362, Laws of 1957.

Protests were filed within 30 days after adoption of the resolution by Glenn L. Berry, on behalf of the Town of Longboat Key, Florida, and for Mr. Doyle E. Carlton, representing St. Armands-Lido Realty



Corporation. The town, by resolution, submitted a proposed bulkhead line to the County Authority but was turned down. The Town contended that the line fixed by the County was contrary to the best interest and welfare of the citizens of Longboat Key, and doubt exists as to the right of the County Authority to fix the bulkhead line within the said municipality.

The Bulkhead line established by the Town of Longboat Key was filed with the Trustees. Mr. Glenn L. Berry, on behalf of the Town and for the St. Armands-Lido firm cited the Attorney General's opinion 058-103 in which the county was advised that it "should request Longboat Key's approval of the bulkhead line . . . before final establishment in order to insure protection of all interests involved and to afford Longboat Key an opportunity to protect its shore line." The petition charged that the bulkhead line fixed by the County Authority clouds St. Armands-Lido title and is a taking without compensation, contrary to the Constitution of Florida and the United States; that the County Authority was without jurisdiction to fix bulkhead lines within the municipality and such action was taken based upon predetermined policy to fix the line one-foot offshore.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the staff examined and compared the line recommended by the Town of Longboat Key together with transcript of public hearings of the Authority as well as erosion, navigation and testimony of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory; that the one-foot line offshore did not appear to deal directly nor effectively with the local problems and needs of the municipality but would prevent desirable marginal improvements and measures which would not be adverse to the public welfare. It was recommended that the line fixed by the County Authority be rejected.

Mr. J. D. Neville, County Commissioner; Mr. Don McClelland, County Attorney, and Mr. W. T. Wallis, Engineer, were present on behalf of Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority; Mr. Glenn L. Berry, on behalf of the Town of Longboat Key, and Mr. Doyle E. Carlton, on behalf of St. Armands-Lido Realty Corporation. Also present was a delegation of citizens from Longboat Key, including Mayor Lucille Lundblad, opposing the bulkhead line fixed by the County.

Mr. Berry made reference to the 1957 Special Act granting to the County Authority the right to hold hearings and approve fills throughout the County, except for the City of Sarasota, and to the 1957 Special Act approving the charter for the Town of Longboat Key and granting the right to fix the bulkhead lines specifically; that the bulkhead line was established by the Town after examination and study of cause and effect on fishing and navigation and after public hearings were held at which no objections were made. Damage to the property of St. Armands-Lido Company was brought out, with ownership of approximately 2,500 acres and six miles of water front. Maps and aerial photographs were displayed showing the bulkhead line recommended by the Town of Longboat Key with reasons therefor and objections to the line fixed by the County were submitted, which would curtail development of submerged areas. Submerged land within the proposed bulkhead line by the Town was less than 1 1/2 feet deep.

Mr. Berry called attention to the manner in which the hearing was held by the County Authority when the Town of Longboat Key made application for establishment of the bulkhead line which the Town had approved; that the Town had no opportunity to present witnesses or be heard when the County arbitrarily fixed the bulkhead line for Longboat Key. It was claimed that hearings were illegally conducted.

Upon inquiry as to authority of the County, Assistant Attorney General Rex Owen advised that the County had authority over the whole area, except the town of Sarasota; that the town's recommendation was advisory but the Sarasota Authority was the final authority to set the bulkhead line.

Mr. McClelland explained that in fixing the one-foot offshore bulkhead line the County took into consideration factual data and investigations by the Board and testimony offered by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory; that if bulkhead lines throughout the County were allowed to go out as far as proposed by Longboat Key there would soon be no bay; that there was very little waterfront property not in private ownership now; that other factors taken into consideration were marine life, breeding ground for fish and preservation of the coast line.

Mr. Wallis, speaking for Mr. Neville, stated that he had worked with the Sarasota Authority through the period of establishing the bulkhead line and felt that the County reported a condition that illustrated a condition quite general but which was not always brought out into the open; that Sarasota Bay was an area where previous sales were quite extensive, some made for obtaining protection of property and others for the purpose of taking fill material, and that the Trustees were in the middle of those who made previous purchases and those who want the public interest preserved.

Mr. Carlton, on behalf of his clients and in the public interest of the Town of Longboat Key, submitted that the one-foot offshore was illogical, one reason given because the island is 2½ to 3 miles from the mainland; that the County bulkhead act gave the County authority over everything except the City of Sarasota; that St. Armands-Lido Realty Corporation purchased their land from the Trustees in 1953 at a price of \$150.00 per acre and it was definitely understood that the area would be filled; that this land was purchased under a statute which carried with it the fixing of a bulkhead and the right to fill; that said statute became a part of the purchase contract. Provisions in the statute were referred to and the claim made that said provisions still applied and governed what could be done with those lands; that the bulkhead line fixed by the Town appeared to conform to the boundary line of the area purchased by St. Armands-Lido Realty Corporation, and request was made that the Trustees respect the bulkhead line approved by the Town of Longboat Key in the interest of all people in that municipality, and that the County line be rejected.

Attorney General Ervin took the position that under the 1957 Act, unless an owner had filled his area or had a United States permit to fill prior to the date the new bulkhead law went into effect, the County and the Trustees had the power to set a bulkhead line; that even though the sovereign lands had been sold, under said Act the County had authority to fix the bulkhead; that he had examined the Longboat Key Act and it was his view that legally the right rested with the County; that he was inclined to go along with the County Authority in fixing the line; that the Trustees could either approve or reject.

Governor Collins concurred with the Attorney General and stated further that the Trustees had taken the position sometime ago that the bulkhead lines should be fixed in the interest of the public with due concern in private interests and ownerships; that the board realized sales had been made in the past and in some cases it would be in the interest of the public to fix the bulkhead line without regard to where sales were made; the counties were expected to make objective studies of each area and hear from any individuals if there was opposition, and he felt sound discretion required the Trustees to support the County Authority.

The Attorney General called attention to the provisions in the General Bulkhead law having reference to fills or permits for filling received from the U. S. Engineers prior to date of the Bulkhead Act.

Mr. Carlton called attention to the obligation of the Trustees in the sale made to his clients and the right given them under provisions of the law authorizing the sale and that such authority fixed the bulkhead line as the boundaries of the land noted on the map in red.

The Attorney General called attention to the law governing the hearings and the obligation placed on the County to produce the necessary evidence in the event of court action testing the validity of the bulkhead line.

Mr. McClelland explained the investigations and studies made in arriving at the location for the bulkhead line, the manner in which the hearings were held and the reasons for conclusions reached.

In questioning the procedure followed by the Sarasota County Authority in connection with the recommendation from the Town of Longboat Key for fixing its bulkhead line, rejection by the County of said recommendation, and final establishment by the County of the line one-foot offshore, it developed that in every respect the required proceedings had not been followed; that in the event of court action the County Authority should be in position to submit records of testimony taken since it had been brought out that the hearings were quasi-judicial.

The County delegation agreed that there was doubt as to whether the proper hearings were held as contemplated by the Act.

Attorney General Ervin made the motion that the bulkhead line submitted by Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority be rejected on the procedural grounds that it did not appear that a hearing as required by the bulkhead act was held; that it was denied without prejudice and for the purpose of allowing another hearing to be held should the County so desire. The motion was seconded by Mr. Larson and upon vote, unanimously adopted.

Mr. McClelland, County Attorney, agreed that the action taken by the Trustees was advisable and concurred in such action.

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BEACH PRESERVATION - EROSION, ETC: The Director reported, as information, that the National Science Foundation had authorized a grant of \$43,000.00 for investigation by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida of storm tides with reference to conditions in Florida.

The Trustees expressed appreciation for the grant and in a discussion of the administration of funds of the Laboratory, where services are rendered to private interest, it was brought out that all revenue received for work done by that department was paid direct to the University of Florida and goes into the State Treasury; that the Trustees' staff suggests to applicants that the services of the Laboratory be used where it was necessary to have technical advice which the Trustees' office was not equipped to furnish. Statement was made by an outside visitor that normal procedure was for application to be made direct to the University of Florida, an estimate of the cost was given and a contract entered into with the University to pay the cost of the service plus a percentage for overhead.

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LEON COUNTY: Buffer Zone - Governor's Mansion - Mr. Terry Lee, Coordinator, presented request from Florida Development Commission for authority to occupy, for several months, until the addition to the Carlton Building was completed, the residence building at 711 North Adams Street, recently purchased from Moseley Collins; that the property was desired to house the Industrial Services Division and International Trade and Rural County Survey Department. The Commission agreed that there would be no alteration or damage to the building which would in any way affect its value.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Development Commission be authorized to use the premises described, without rent, conditioned upon proper insurance being carried by the said Commission while occupying the building.



CAPITOL CENTER - LEON COUNTY: Mr. Terry Lee, Coordinator for the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, reported with reference to exchange of property between the City and the State and submitted appraisal covering the two parcels the City had agreed to convey to the State. Attention was called to the appraisal on the property East of the Carlton Building which had been reduced from \$89,000.00 to \$62,900.00 caused by difference in amount of land. The exchange would result in the City being indebted to the State in the amount of \$19,155.20 which difference could be absorbed in exchanges proposed in the near future. Mr. Lee requested authority to handle the deficit as a book entry pending determination as to other property to be conveyed to the State by the City.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize handling of the transaction as suggested by Mr. Lee.

Description of the property to be conveyed by the City to the State:

Lots 20 and 21, South 40 feet of Lot 18 and 9, West 25 feet of abandoned R/W of Meridian Street between South boundary line of Apalachee Parkway and the North boundary line of St. Augustine Street. Lot with approximately 251.66 feet frontage on Apalachee Parkway and St. Augustine Streets and depth between these two streets 120 feet. Appraised value of \$62,900.00. Lot 256 Original Plan from City of Tallahassee.

Description of property to be conveyed by the State to the City of Tallahassee:

North 90 feet Lots 1 and 2	-	Modern Homes Property
All Lots 3 and 4	-	McCallister Property
All Lots 5 and 6	-	Moore Property
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lots 23 and 24	-	Brown Property
Appraised value of \$122,755.20.		

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LEGISLATIVE SERVICE - 1959 SESSION: Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Director be authorized to engage the services of Florida Legislative Reporters, Inc., (Jim Hardee), for the 1959 session of the Legislature at a fee of \$500.00, the service to include daily report and summary of all bills introduced in the legislature, with copies of bills in which the Trustees would be interested.

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DADE COUNTY: Attorney General Ervin reported that he had been asked to review the bulkhead lines of Dade County as it was not clear what action was taken with reference to requiring that the County employ the Coastal Engineering Laboratory to review the bulkhead line submitted. It was explained that the County felt it had completed its engineering work at a cost of approximately \$16,000.00 and were adverse to expending approximately \$36,000.00 additionally to have the Laboratory make its survey and report; that the bulkhead line had been fixed.

Inquiry was made as to whether the staff felt the Laboratory examination was necessary before passing on the bulkhead line fixed. Mr. Ferguson stated that when the causeway plan came up the County was advised that some sort of tidal study of the area should be furnished before the staff could recommend; that there are quite a number of bulkhead units that could be approved in the near future, but in the area where there are large land masses, the staff felt advice should be received from the Laboratory; that there were basic differences between Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Laboratory and Mr. M. B. Garris, the County's Engineer; that protests keep coming in against the line, but the staff was continuing its study of

the 72 pages of the bulkhead line and would submit recommendations on separate units as soon as possible. Recommendation on separate units was authorized by the Trustees at the former meeting.

Without objection, it was agreed that the staff make recommendations on the bulkhead line by units as early as possible and should there be areas where recommendations could not be made without further examination and advice from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, that such services be secured by the Trustees at its own expense, the opinion being that the County having already had its survey made should not be required to incur the expense of another by the Laboratory.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

SARASOTA COUNTY: Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of Sarasota County Deed No. 794-Cor. to W. E. Ebaugh for the purpose of correcting a block number in original deed.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Motion was made and duly adopted, that quit-claim deed be issued to William A. Martin and Evelyn M. Martin covering the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , less 52 feet off the West to the railroad, in Section 29, Township 35 South, Range 18 East, the original sale having been held less than thirty (30) days after date of publication and did not comply with requirements in force at that time; a handling fee of \$10.00 to be charged.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Shirley Little and John McGregor submitted an offer of \$10.00 for deed under Chapter 28317 - the Hardship Act - to Lot 7, Block "A", Parque Aviles Subdivision. Evidence was furnished that applicants are the daughter and grandson of the former owner on June 9, 1939, and that the amount required had been deposited with the Clerk of the Circuit Court equal to all unpaid taxes and assessments.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees agree to convey the parcel of land to applicants upon payment of \$75.00.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 14, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins  
Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin

Governor  
Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees dated August 12, 26, September 2 and 23, 1958, were presented and upon motion duly adopted, approved.

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LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

GULF COUNTY: File No. 233-23-253.12 - On August 19 the Trustees approved a bulkhead line established by the County Commissioners, upon request of Silas R. Stone on behalf of Pick Hollinger and others, and authorized advertisement of a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph Bay in Sections 1, 2, 11, 12 and 14, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, lying westerly of and abutting the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of said Sections 1 and 2, and all of Sections 11, 12 and 14, comprising 420.75 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph Bay, conditioned upon the applicants offering appraised price. Subsequently, on September 16-17, the Trustees agreed to sell the 420.75 acres upon payment of \$1.00 per acre, requiring fill to be completed within 3 years; with extension of 2 years for filling upon payment of additional \$4.00 per acre, and a second extension of 10 years with additional payment of \$5.00 per acre, the Attorney General to work out an option-type agreement to cover the sale.

Mr. Stone stated that his clients' project is planned to be paid for as it progresses, and the question of title on an option purchase plan would be a disadvantage to the developers. He requested title to the land, but with a reverter clause providing for that part of the area not filled in a certain length of time coming back to the state, pointing out that this plan would serve the purpose desired of encouraging development as fast as possible.

Motion was made and adopted that the Attorney General draw up the deed providing for conveyance of the 420.75 acres of land for \$1.00 per acre, at the end of 4 years all the unfilled portion to revert to the state; grantee then to be allowed to purchase the area not filled at \$10.00 per acre. Purchaser shall furnish a survey to enable the setting forth in the deed of the correct description of the portion filled.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 219-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Alban E. Reid, the upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Rock Harbor in Section 5, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying southeasterly of and abutting Lot 1 of Subdivision by George L. McDonald, containing 3.50 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection has been filed to filling beyond the existing shallow channel by John Liggio, who says that the proposed work would cause debris to collect in a pocket.

Motion was made and adopted that this sale be rejected.

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MONROE COUNTY LANDS:

1. File No. 194-44-253.12 - On August 26, 1958, the Trustees considered offer from Madco, Inc., upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of four parcels of submerged land in Sections 25 and 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, abutting Raccoon Key, Parcel "A" containing 15.49 acres appraised at \$150.00 per acre, Parcel "B", containing 2.63 acres appraised at \$150.00 per acre, Parcel "C" containing 14.02 acres appraised at \$150.00 per acre and 9.70 acres appraised at \$200.00 per acre.



2. File No. 218-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George M. Dykes, et al, upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 27, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.83 acres, more or less, described as starting from the southeast corner of Tract 3 at the westerly right of way line of the Overseas Highway - Plat of Survey of Ellis Property, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning.

3. File No. 220-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George H. Hamp and wife, upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.49 of an acre, more or less, and lying southeasterly of and abutting Lot 36 of Block 3, amended and extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision, Section 1.

4. File No. 221-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from Eugene L. Lowe, abutting owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.10 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting Block 5 of the amended Plat of Tavernier Beach.

5. File No. 222-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Sanel Beer and wife, abutting owners, by G. A. Crawshaw, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less, lying southeasterly of and abutting Lot 35, Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision, Section 1.

6. File No. 225-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Julian W. Harmon, abutting upland owner, by G. A. Crawshaw, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 7, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 2.70 acres, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 1 through 6, inclusive, of Long Key Ocean-Bay Colony, Section 1.

7. File No. 226-44-253.12 - On August 19, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from M. H. Grant and wife, abutting owners, by G. A. Crawshaw, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lots 2 and 3 of Tarpon Acres.

8. File No. 231-44-253.12 - On August 26, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Joe Pearlman's, Inc., abutting owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida northeasterly of and adjacent to Government Lots 1 and 2, Section 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Raccoon Key, containing 3.86 acres, more or less, in Sections 25 and 26 of said township and range, starting from the north corner of Lot 15, Plat of Key Haven, run north 50° 13' 40" East a distance of 125 feet, and thence by metes and bounds description to point of beginning.

9. File No. 235-44-253.12 - On August 26, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from L. R. Coman, abutting upland owner, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 27, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.37 of an acre, more or less, lying southeasterly of

and abutting the northeasterly 80 feet of Tract 16 of the Russell Estate.

The nine (9) parcels listed above were advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office. Descriptions of the parcels were called out, and there were no objections filed or presented to any of the sales.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm the nine (9) sales in favor of the applicants at the prices offered by each.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 243-52-253.12 - M. M. Lindellie, represented by Denny J. McGarry, requested approval of bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on August 28, 1958, and offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 0.37 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay adjacent to his upland in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 6, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, being a shallow extending bayward less than 80 feet at the widest point, within said bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Authority approving the bulkhead line and the sale of the submerged property was furnished the Trustees, with consideration to be given on this date. No objections have been received.

On a map it was pointed out that the parcel, if filled, will conform to a straight shore line already bulkheaded northerly and southerly of the area.

Motion was made and adopted, that the bulkhead line be approved as established by the Pinellas Authority, and sale confirmed in favor of M. M. Lindellie at the price offered.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 206-64-253-12 - On August 26, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of an adjusted price of \$300.00 per acre from A. B. White and wife, abutting upland owners, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land containing 5.3 acres, more or less, in the Halifax River in Section 2-16S-33E, and in Section 35-15S-33E, in the City of Port Orange, Florida, starting from a reference point being the easterly meander corner between said Sections 2 and 35, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning.

Description of the parcel was called out and no objections were filed or presented.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. White and wife at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LANDS

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 178-08-253.12 - Wotitzky and Wotitzky on behalf of A. E. Blackburn, owner of Bird Key and surrounding submerged land by an earlier sovereignty land sale, applied to purchase a submerged area in Gasparilla Sound on each side of and within 600 foot right of way of Florida Bridge Company, northeasterly of and adjacent to unfilled submerged lands of applicant in Sections 22, 23 and 26, Township 42 South, Range 20 East.

The Director reported that large submerged areas in the vicinity of Gasparilla Sound have been conveyed but remain undeveloped and this application covers sovereignty land not adjacent to any upland of applicant.

Recommendation was made that the bridge and causeway right of way be held inviolate against commercial or private encroachment, it being considered desirable to restrict further sales to modest extensions so that the natural landscape may predominate.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be accepted and the application be denied.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12 - On June 17, 1958, offer from Carl A. Norberg of \$35.00 per acre for purchase of 188.97 acres of submerged land abutting his uplands in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, was declined by the Trustees, who agreed to advertise the land for objections only upon Mr. Norberg's making offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre.

Application was received from Mr. Norberg for a reduced acreage 87.44 acres in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, lying within the bulkhead line previously established, at \$50.00 per acre, the appraised price.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be approved subject to advertisement of the land for objections only.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 272-41-253.12 - George T. Curry, et al, represented by Peterson, Meyers and Associates, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Sections 23 and 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, containing 18.51 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.

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MARION COUNTY: File No. 263-42-253.36 - On August 19, 1958, Farris Bryant, on behalf of Charles R. Cook, applied to purchase a long-exposed lake bottom area adjacent and lakeward of his upland described as Lot 1 of Titcomb's Subdivision of Government Lot 1, Section 16, Township 13 South, Range 25 East, on Lake Ker. Mr. Cook proposed to take material from his uplands by cutting canals, using the material for filling the area applied for, no fill to be dredged from the lake bottom.

It was stated that it had been several years since the water of the lake receded and left the area exposed adjacent to applicant's frontage. It was not clearly established that the area was permanently reclaimed, but geologists' surveys disclosed that the water level had been down for ten to fifteen years.

Mr. Cook was present on this date, and offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for the area which comprised 12.8 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the offer be accepted subject to the land being advertised for objections only, the deed to contain a clause that should the area be flooded, there will be no liability on the part of the Trustees and no refund will be made.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 269-64-253.12 - Mrs. Leora D. Wakeley offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, in the City of Port Orange, adjacent to her upland property.



Motion was made and adopted that the land be advertised for objections only, based on the offer submitted.

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 177-08-253.12 - On August 26, 1958, the Trustees considered application by Grove City Realty Corporation, represented by Wotitzky and Wotitzky, for 4.81 acres of submerged land in Lemon Bay adjacent to applicant's upland, and advertisement for objections was authorized.

Objection was filed by William C. Sowell, owner of two lots in Grove City Shores Subdivision, a development which was made on upland and submerged land. Mr. Sowell stated that he purchased his site because of its unobstructed view, and the proposed extension in front of the area previously developed would cut off the view from his lot and those of other owners.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted that the objection be sustained and the application be rejected without prejudice.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 127-52-253.12 - The Trustees, on May 13, 1958, deferred action for study by the staff on application of Mildred H. McAbby, as trustee for the upland owner, for submerged land in Clearwater Harbor south of Belleair Beach Causeway, north of McKay Point, west of Indian Rocks Road, in Section 6, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, which had been approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and the bulkhead line established by the local authority.

Objections were filed by Mortimer Lowell, owner of lands across the Inland Waterway from the parcel, and by Indian Rocks Beach Civic Association which based opposition on the nearness of the bulkhead line to the waterway and that the fill would reduce the bay area for fishing. No objections were received from owners in the vicinity east of the waterway.

The Director described the area as a shallow pocket between existing Harbor Hills 3rd Addition on the south and the Harbor Bluffs fill on the north, the bulkhead line having been fixed to conform with these two filled areas. Recent aerial photo was exhibited.

Richard Earle, Jr., representing the applicant and Waterways Building Corporation, stated that the project would fill an inland mud bank, and the dredging of material from the shallow area adjacent to the proposed fill would deepen the water and tend to reduce stagnant water and accumulation of debris.

The Trustees were reluctant to approve the sale of any areas in Pinellas County waterways, but because this bulkhead line and sale were approved by the local Authority, and because the fill proposed would not be more objectionable than the shallow water pocket which now exists between two previous fills, motion was made and adopted to approve the bulkhead line and sale as recommended by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and the staff.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BROWARD COUNTY: The U. S. Corps of Engineers on behalf of the United States of America made application for a perpetual easement for right of way purposes for the re-alignment of channel of Intracoastal Waterway in the vicinity of East Las Olas Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale, said re-alignment being necessary because of the new bridge constructed by the State Road Department.

Motion was made and adopted that easement be granted as requested by the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

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CITRUS COUNTY: Mrs. Vada M. Yeomans, represented by Scofield and Bradshaw, applied for a disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes, for a parcel of land in Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, 2.0 acres, more or less, which was filled about twenty years ago.

Motion was made and adopted that disclaimer be authorized for the usual handling charge of \$10.00.

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DADE COUNTY: Application from C. B. Forrester for campsite lease covering one (1) acre on East Arsenicker Key, Section 24, Township 58 South, Range 40 East, for a 10-year period was considered by the Trustees. Information was given that three campsite leases are currently in effect on this Key.

Motion was made and adopted that lease to Mr. Forrester be approved with lease rental at \$50.00 per year for the first five (5) years, to be increased to \$75.00 per year at the end of the fifth year.

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LEE COUNTY: L. T. Ahrenholtz, on behalf of Cecil M. Lowe, the present lessee, and Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club, requested approval of assignment of Campsite Lease No. 724 by Mr. Lowe to the Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club which is a non-profit Florida corporation. The Yacht Club will make the area available to its members and to other civic associations for community recreation purposes. The Director recommended approval of the assignment subject to the parties furnishing the Trustees with certified or executed copy of the assignment and written acceptance of the lease provisions by the assignee.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Board.

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MONROE COUNTY: Mrs. Sophie Smith, lessee, applied for renewal of one year of Lease No. 919 which expires October 30, 1958. The lease covers an area 354 by 50 feet near the abutment of Old Card Sound Bridge in Section 18, Township 59 South, Range 40 East, used as a fishing camp.

Motion was made and adopted that the lease in favor of Mrs. Smith be extended for a period of one year for \$100.00.

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OKALOOSA AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: The Florida Board of Forestry advised that the United States, through its Minerals Adjudication Section, Bureau of Land Management, was considering granting a five-year lease of its 75% mineral interest in and to sand and gravel in a total of 600 acres in Blackwater River State Forest at a rental of 50¢ per acre per year, royalty 10¢ per cubic yard, with \$1,000.00 performance bond. Legal description of the 600 acres was not given and it was not shown that the mineral interest of the United States should include sand and gravel, which are not construed as minerals in state reservations under Section 270.11 Florida Statutes.

The Director called attention to the fact that mining operations could interfere with forestry functions, cause damage or exploit only the readily accessible material, and it was indicated that the Forestry Board would be expected to maintain haul roads for the operator. Lease of the State's 25% mineral interest would not appear profitable.

The Trustees expressed disapproval of lease or permit for removal of sand and gravel for more than one ten-acre tract in the State Forest, the Forestry Board having indicated that it would not object in case area was limited to approximately 10 acres.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: J. H. Klinck, city engineer, and Eghert Beall, city attorney, appeared before the Trustees on behalf of the City of West Palm Beach in the matter of conveyances to 21 private individuals of small parcels across Flagler Drive from their lots. The City, to secure right of way for Flagler Drive, agreed that upland owners would be given deeds to small parcels of waterfront, being extensions of their lots across the drive. Mr. Klinck stated that under city zoning and the bulkhead line, the small parcels could never be filled, but would give the property owners the feeling that their riparian rights were protected.

The Trustees felt that title to the area remaining in the State would be greater protection, but because of the commitments made with the owners by the City, it was agreed to convey the strips to the 21 owners, deeds to contain restrictions against filling.

Mr. Klinck stated that the city was faced with great expense of building the drive and the bulkhead, and asked that the deeds be issued for only a nominal service charge rather than the \$100.00 minimum deed amount usually adhered to.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees execute deeds for the handling charge of \$10.00 each to the property owners whose riparian rights are affected, as provided for in the bulkhead act, and stipulate in deeds that the land be subject to city zoning requirements existing at this time, no improvement or construction to be permitted thereon unless with the express approval of the City of West Palm Beach.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 83-52-253.12 - On May 13, 1958, the Trustees considered sale within the established bulkhead line, to Ben Evans, of a parcel of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 29, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, northerly of and abutting Government Lot 1 and all that part of Government Lot 2 and 3 of said Section 29 lying westerly of a line described, containing 38.3 acres, more or less. The Trustees, on that date, approved the bulkhead line and the application at a price of \$250.00 per acre for the entire area within the bulkhead line riparian to his upland with deed to be issued for only such part as would be filled, and contract was issued to Mr. Evans.

Mr. Evans subsequently applied for conveyance of the entire block of 88.46 acres, which would give him leeway to make adjustments in the development and alignment of the fingers to be filled, and agreed to dedicate to the public all areas which remained unfilled, or would reconvey such unfilled areas to the Trustees. This would make the sale uniform in price with the nearby Constantine sale which was confirmed also on May 13th for conveyance of the entire block rather than only the fingers to be filled.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees reject, without prejudice, the request of Mr. Evans.

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POLK COUNTY: Hugh Warren applied to purchase 500 cubic yards of material to be dredged 250 feet offshore in Lake Reedy, to use for repairing damage from erosion at the upland shore of his property in Section 28, Township 31 South, Range 28 East, no filling to be done out into the lake.



To enable the applicant to take advantage, as soon as permit is executed, of the presence of a sand dredge which is in Lake Reedy, the Director recommended that the sale be authorized subject to approval of the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

Governor Collins suggested that a minimum charge of \$100.00 should be made for permits to take material from fresh water lakes.

Motion was made and adopted that permit to Mr. Warren be approved subject to favorable recommendation by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, and that in this case and all future applications, the charge for removal of material from fresh water lakes shall be \$75.00 minimum plus the cost of material at the standard yardage rate.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: James Appell applied for lease of Government Lot 1 in Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 29 East, 58.18 acres on the old United States Survey, being a low flat island lying west of North River, bounded west and south by a large expanse of state-owned unsurveyed marsh. Applicant offered \$2.00 per acre per year and proposed to construct boat slips, masonry building, water system, sanitary facilities and other equipment. The land was appraised at \$35.00 per acre plus \$400.00 for standing timber.

The action of the Board was to advise Mr. Appell that a 15-year lease would be approved, at \$2.00 per acre annually, instrument to expressly exclude right to remove any timber but reserving to the Trustees right to remove timber, all improvements on the premises at termination of lease to remain as part of the realty.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 703 listing 3 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Mr. Egbert Beall, City Attorney, on behalf of the City of West Palm Beach, requested that the Trustees modify action heretofore taken by removing therefrom the provision for dedication of certain lots for public street purposes. The City desires to pay \$30,000.00 and secure release of the public purpose clause from all lots, agreeing to invest proceeds from sale of any of said lots in recreational purposes and for street rights of way.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, to modify action taken by the Trustees April 22 and July 8, 1958, and at this time approve request of the City to release the public purpose clause in Palm Beach County Deed No. 01-Chapter 21684 upon payment by the City of \$30,000.00, the release instrument to contain the condition that the City will invest revenue from sale of lots in public recreational and public street rights of way purposes.

The action by the Trustees was agreed to by Mr. Beall on behalf of the City of West Palm Beach.


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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: George J. Maust offered \$10.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the Hardship Act, of Lot 6, Block "A", Park Aviles Subdivision, which was owned by his mother, now deceased, prior to June 9, 1939. Statement from the Clerk of the Circuit Court shows that all amounts required under the Act have been deposited with him and application is in order.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance to the applicant under Chapter 28317 of the above described lot be authorized.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 21, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins  
Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin

Governor (Present part time)  
Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson

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Director-Secretary

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 135-52-253.12 - Venetian Isles Development Corporation, represented by Adrian Bacon, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre to purchase approximately 166 acres of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 34, Township 30 South, Range 17 East, and Section 3, Township 31 South, Range 17 East, within the bulkhead line recommended by the City of St. Petersburg and established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on July 24, 1958, the submerged land applied for being adjacent to 108 acres of upland on Mermaid Point owned by the applicant. The Director advised that the city approved this project.

Mr. Bacon made substantially the following statements in favor of the project of his clients. The area is very shallow, adjacent to low lands into which canals for drainage have been cut by the Mosquito Control District. All requirements of the laws have been complied with, and engineering plans and drawings have been submitted to the Trustees showing a series of 12 islands connected by bridges with 39-foot openings between causeways of each bridge to allow for water circulation. Plans call for making additional canals into the upland which will provide about 40 acres of usable waterways, the spoil material to be used as fill. Approximately 575 waterfront homes are planned by creating 166 acres of submerged land into islands and 69 acres of navigable water, and the development of this low swampy area would be good for the City of St. Petersburg. Mr. Bacon stated that his client is the largest adjacent land owner, that the proposed fill violates no riparian rights, and the bulkhead line and project were approved by the City Council of St. Petersburg, after two public hearings, Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on July 24, 1958, Pinellas County Anti-Mosquito District, and city and county engineers. Report by Prof. Gerritsen of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory stated "that the proposed development will probably create no adverse

effects in regard to navigation, erosion, tidal currents, storm tides or stagnant pockets". Dr. James Lackey, a biologist from the University of Florida, reported favorably as to the effect of the project. In addition, letters and petitions favoring the bulkhead line and proposed sale were filed with the Trustees, including letters from Ernest J. Barber of First National Bank of St. Petersburg, Sam H. Mann of Bank of St. Petersburg, T. G. Mixson of City Bank & Trust Company, A. E. Pellerin of Coastal States Insurance Company, Baya M. Harrison, Jr., attorney, R. V. Workman of Guarantee Abstract Company, Peter Stein of County Tax Payers Association, Loyal Phillips, publisher, and R. G. Smiley of West Coast Title Company.

Letters and petition opposed to the Venetian Isles project were filed from a group of owners in the Shore Acres Subdivision and from Arrowhead Subdivision, the State Board of Conservation, Fred Gill representing Florida Wildlife Federation, Alliance for Conservation of Natural Resources in Pinellas County, Mrs. Betty Thornton for the Pass-a-Grille Womans Club, Conservation Chairman of the St. Petersburg Garden Club, Clearwater Federation of Civic Clubs, John W. Kirtsinger and John A. Leverock, operators of oyster beds in Papy's Bayou. The following were present and spoke in opposition to the bulkhead line and sale:

Joseph S. Rodriguez, Mr. Ingle, Director of Research of the State Board of Conservation, Mr. Kirtsinger and Mr. Leverock, Fred Gill of Florida Wildlife Federation, B. Clement, Mrs. Robert Davis of St. Petersburg Garden Club, H. W. Paxton, Mrs. Lydia Hettel, and Mrs. H. R. Mills.

Mr. Ingle expressed the opposition of the Conservation Department to dredge and fill work in this fish nursery ground area, basing his remarks on the investigation and report made by scientists for the department.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that the fill would damage the natural beauty of the area, cut off the view from many property owners' lots, reduce the fishing, produce silt to injure clams and oyster beds, and would set the precedent of extensive filling all along this coastline similar to the Boca Ciega Bay fills. He interrogated several of those present to bring out the objections.

Col. H. C. Gee, consulting engineer for the Venetian Isles Development Corporation, told the Trustees that extensive engineering had been carried out in planning the project, modifications made, including omitting three of the planned islands by request of the city and the Trustees' staff, conference held with Dr. David Lee of the State Board of Health regarding the sewage treatment plant affluent line, levee construction planned to prevent silt damage and protect the oyster beds, and that it would be economically necessary to use the submerged area applied for to develop the project. He used maps and pictures to show how an emerging shore line was the natural bulkhead line for this coast, pointing out that those charged with setting bulkhead line - the City of St. Petersburg and Pinellas County Authority - had approved this line and recommended approval by the Trustees.

R. T. Gupton, engineer for Venetian Isles, and Gerry Gould, an official of the company, explained that it was not feasibly economical to use only the upland purchased from Neil Upham for the development. Mr. Upham stated that he retained a one-twenty-fifth interest and wanted to see the 100-acre Mermaid Point swampy area permanently developed.

The Shore Acres area southerly of the proposed development was privately restricted by a long-fixed bulkhead line 50 feet offshore. Venetian Isles would extend to an offshore bar or emergent ridge which already was forming in front of the Shore Acres lots, Mermaid Point, and north of the mouth of Papy's Bayou.



The development would eliminate a mosquito breeding area and health hazard in the City of St. Petersburg, and would create navigable areas without stagnant pockets. However, development would reduce the area of fish-feeding and nursery grounds.

Treasurer Larson felt that so much information and so many witnesses had been before the Board that decision could not be made at that time.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be taken under advisement for further consideration, no additional hearings being necessary.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Mr. Ben Overton of St. Petersburg, Florida, on behalf of his clients, George C. Marsic and Barbara I. W. Faulk, called attention to action taken by the Trustees in June and July of last year in connection with applications to purchase land in the vicinity of the Tierra Verde property of Dr. Bradley Waldron and Mr. Hyman Green. He reported that regardless of the fact that his clients' interests had not been settled, Dr. Waldron had applied for and received dredging and fill permit from the U. S. Army Engineers; that his clients were concerned over the proposed dredging which they understood would commence within the next two or three months; that the obligation had been placed upon the applicants to furnish surveys and legal descriptions for the proposed conveyances and that two descriptions furnished were turned down by the Trustees' staff by reason of lack of field measurements. Mr. Overton urged that the Trustees not allow the Waldron-Green interest to proceed with dredging and filling until settlement had been worked out with Marsic and Faulk, and that commitments for public areas be made a part of the Waldron-Green contract.

Mr. Ferguson explained that Dr. Waldron had made the survey required by the Trustees but had not filed the necessary data; that Mr. Overton's clients had been requested to establish the field survey in connection with their claims but that had not been done. Further, that no deed had been issued to Waldron and Green, only a contract to purchase; that the staff felt that Mr. Overton's clients should take care of their field survey and furnish proper description for correcting errors in description.

Mr. Overton was advised that the Trustees had agreed to give his clients the same consideration as given the Waldron-Green interests and as soon as the necessary surveys and descriptions had been received by the staff and checked, the proper instruments would be prepared; that request would be made to Dr. Waldron that no dredging or filling be begun in the Tierra Verde area, in the vicinity of the Marsic and Faulk properties pending working out legal descriptions for correction of errors.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 259-41-253.12. Florida Power and Light Company, Inc., represented by Dye and Dye, offered the appraised price of \$660.00 an acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Manatee River in Section 26, Township 34 South, Range 17 East, in the City of Bradenton, containing 1.11 acres, more or less.

Request was also made that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line established for the Florida Power and Light Company by the City of Bradenton by action of the City Council on May 28, 1958, and subsequent action on September 24, 1958 amending the description.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 244-44-253.12. Edward Havelka et al, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 an acre for two parcels of submerged land in Bogle Channel located easterly of and adjacent to Government Lot 6, Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 2.09 acres, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 279-44-253.12. Frank Unger and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 an acre for approximately 0.43 of an acre of submerged land in Florida Bay in Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 280-44-253.12. J. E. Ravlin et al, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Sections 11 and 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing approximately 1.75 acres.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 282-44-253.12. George M. Weed, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.73 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the five (5) applications listed subject to advertisement of the land described for objections only, based on the offers submitted; also, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the City of Bradenton September 24, 1958, for the parcel in Manatee County applied for by Florida Power and Light Company.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

ALACHUA COUNTY: Sam T. Dell, on behalf of Fred H. Crone, applied for a disclaimer to a parcel of land containing 0.06 of an acre in Section 28, Township 8 South, Range 22 East, not included within the meander of Government Lot 1 of said Section 28 by the 1831 Government Survey but included within the re-survey in 1953.

Motion was made and adopted that disclaimer be authorized to Fred H. Crone for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Macbeth and Breed, attorneys for Wilson and Wilson, Inc., made application on September 19th for a permit to remove 500 cubic yards of fill material from Lake Jackson immediately in front of applicants' upland in Lake Jackson Boulevard Subdivision. The State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission filed approval of the proposed dredging.

Application and examination by said Commission having both been made before the action of October 14th increasing charges for such work, motion was made and adopted that permit be issued to Wilson and Wilson, Inc., to dredge and use the 500 cubic yards of fill from Lake Jackson at the former minimum rate of \$25.00.

Also, motion was adopted that the charge of \$75.00 plus the yardage payment, adopted October 14th for fresh water dredge and fill permits, would not be retroactive with reference to applications already received and awaiting recommendation of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Sidarlen Development Corporation, represented by Mr. Billy Conner, made application to purchase additional submerged lands in Long Key Bight, Long Key, in Sections 3 and 4,

Township 65 South, Range 35 East. Because the limits bayward from the applicant's upland encroach upon the riparian rights of other adjacent riparian owners, the Director recommended that the application be denied.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the application of the Sidarlen Development Corporation be denied for the reason stated.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 285-52-253.12. Chester B. McMullen et al, abutting owners, made application for a parcel of submerged land in Tampa Bay extending from one-fourth mile to three-fourths mile north of Courtney-Campbell Causeway in Section 16, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, containing 82.54 acres, more or less. No offer was made for the land as an appraisal had not been made. Bulkhead line for the parcel and application to purchase were approved by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, but the matter was deferred by the staff as there appeared to be encroachment on state road right-of-way.

Further deferment was recommended as it appeared that the parcel was within the city limits of Clearwater and would necessitate coordination between State Road Department, local agencies, and the Trustees.

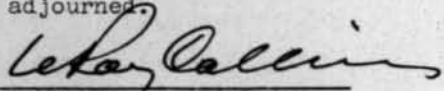
Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that action on the application be deferred as recommended by the staff.

DISTRICT TAXES: Motion was made and adopted authorizing issuance of warrants in payment of flood control district and sub-drainage district taxes estimated to be \$30,000.00 assessed against Trustees' lands which lie within said districts, in order to take advantage of 4% discount allowed during the month of November.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees disclaim interest in certain certificates under Chapter 18296 covering land in Alachua, Citrus, Okaloosa and Taylor Counties, the Attorney General's Office having approved such disposition on the ground that said certificates vested no title in the state to the lands covered thereby.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 28, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.



Present: LeRoy Collins  
Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson

Governor  
Comptroller  
Treasurer

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Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

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The minutes of the Trustees dated September 16-17, 1958, which have been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member, were formally approved.

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SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

COMPETITIVE BIDS:

OSCEOLA COUNTY: On September 16-17, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$35.00 per acre from Thomas B. McCowan for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, containing 39.80 acres. The land was advertised for competitive bids in The Gazette, Kissimmee, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Land Office.

Bids were filed by Stephen M. Wilk, Cecil E. Platt and Michael Messina, and upon description of the land being called out on this date, competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$90.00 per acre being received from J. H. Schmitt of Lake Worth, Florida.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale of the land described in favor of Mr. Schmitt at the highest bid offered, \$90.00 per acre.

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OBJECTIONS ONLY:

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 254-05-253.12. On September 16, the Trustees considered offer from Minnie H. Andrews and Grace H. Fleming of \$100.00 for the parcel, equal to the appraised price, for a strip comprising  $3\frac{1}{4}$  square feet, of submerged land two (2) feet wide along the outer perimeter of a parcel of submerged land required by the State Road Department for widening a feeder road, the said parcel being riparian to applicant's upland Lots 1 and 2 of Hardee and Ronald Subdivision, in Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 36 East. The land was advertised for objections in the Cocoa Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicants, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 234-44-253.12. On August 26th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Charley Toppino and Sons, Inc., represented by W. R. Neblett, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land on Stock Island in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, containing 2.16 acres, more or less, lying northerly of and abutting Lots 1 and 12, Block 1 and Lots 1 and 12, Block 2 of Balido Subdivision. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicants at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 237-44-253.12. On September 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George H. Crim, the abutting owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.69 of an acre, more or less, lying northeasterly of and abutting Lot 18 and the northwesterly one-half of Lot 19, Block 45 of the George L. McDonald's Plat of a part of Stock Island. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 241-44-253.12. On September 2nd the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Ray M. Nichols, abutting owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.51 of an acre, more or less, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lot 21, Block 2 of Amended and Extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section One. The land was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 242-44-253.12. On September 2nd the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Carl T. Hoffman and wife, abutting owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.49 of an acre, more or less, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lot 10 of Block 2, Amended and Extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section One. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. There were no objections filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 248-44-253.12. On September 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Ollie L. Evans, abutting owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 0.5 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, starting from the intersection of the east side of Ocean View Boulevard with the southeasterly side of Seaside Avenue and at the northwest corner of Block 4, Plat of Seaside, and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 249-44-253.12. On September 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, from W. L. Chambers, upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for approximately 0.46 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 33 East, Plantation Key, lying southeasterly and abutting the southwesterly 100 feet of Tract "G" of Plantation Beach. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 252-44-253.12. On September 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 an acre from Lawrence W. Tiedt, upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for approximately 0.46 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, starting from the intersection of the southwesterly line of Tract "D" and the southeasterly right of way line of the Overseas Highway, as shown on Amended and Extended Plat of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section Two, and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. There were no objections to sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land described at the price offered by the applicant.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 253-44-253.12. On September 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Mrs. Madeline B. Shockey, et al, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 1.89 acres, more or less, more particularly described as starting at the intersection of the easterly right of way line of State Road No. 5 (Overseas Highway) with the south side of a 50 ft. street on the south end of Plantation Shores, thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees. No objections were made to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of applicant at the price offered.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 143-64-253.12. On September 2nd the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from H. S. Utley, abutting owner, represented by Duffett and Stanier, for purchase of approximately 0.7 of an acre of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, Port Orange, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 1 of Hand's Subdivision, within the city bulkhead line established in 1953 and adopted by Volusia County under Sec. 253.122(1). The land was advertised for objections in the News-Journal, Daytona Beach, Florida, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed to the sale by Guy T. Peshek and wife, and subsequently withdrawn. There were no other objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.



VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 232-64-253.12. On September 2nd the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 an acre from John D. Ambler and wife, upland owners, represented by Kinsey, Vincent and Pyle, for purchase of approximately 0.9 of an acre of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, in Port Orange, Florida, starting at the northwest corner of said Section 3, run east along the north line of said Section 3 for a distance of 1,400 feet, more or less, to the U. S. Public Land Survey Meander Line, then by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning, within city bulkhead line established in 1953 and adopted by Volusia County under Sec. 253.122(1). The land was advertised for objections in The News-Journal, Daytona Beach, Florida, and proof of publication is filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed to the sale and later withdrawn by Guy T. Peshek and wife, and by Saraphine I. G. Stanier. There were no other objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land described in favor of the applicants, at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 289-44-253.12. Ruth Cash Putnam, represented by William R. Neblett, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 3.06 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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#### PERMIT, LEASES, EASEMENTS

BROWARD COUNTY: The City of Hollywood applied for permit to install an experimental type of groin on the foreshore and extending into the Atlantic Ocean along the projection of Connecticut Street, Hollywood Beach First Addition. The city filed title certificate showing municipal ownership of the upland abutting the proposed installation and tendered the \$10.00 permit fee.

Plan for the groin was submitted to the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, which reported that it was a type given up elsewhere long ago, but that the city should not be hindered if they desire to try it. Recommendation of the Director was for issuance of permit for installation and maintenance by the city, subject to the standard provisions for removal if the structure failed, caused damage or had served its purpose, and surety bond be waived inasmuch as the licensee was a municipality.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be adopted as the action of the Board.

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DADE COUNTY: Charles F. Webb applied for a three-year campsite lease, offering \$50.00 per year for use of approximately one acre on Long Arsenicker Key, Section 13, Township 58 South, Range 40 East. The parcel was previously under Lease No. 968 and was recently vacated.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Webb be issued 3-year campsite lease on the area described, at the price offered, with the usual terms and conditions.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Florida Power and Light Company applied for an easement for electric distribution lines across a strip of land 12 feet in width and approximately 12,000 feet in length in Section 30, Township 42 South, Range 37 East, and Sections 25 and 36, Township 42 South, Range 36 East, Palm Beach County, owned by the Trustees and now under lease to Richlands, Inc. The distribution lines are to serve the U. S. Civil Aeronautics Administration VORTAC Station and to supply power to the pumping stations of Richlands, Inc., and said corporation consented to the installations.

Motion was made and adopted that easement be granted to the Florida Power and Light Company over the described area, for the yearly charge of \$100.00.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: On October 14th, the Trustees authorized a 15-year lease to James Appell at \$2.00 per acre for Government Lot 1 in Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 29 East, 58.18 acres, subject to provisions that no timber would be cut and all improvements would remain as part of the realty at termination of the lease.

Mr. Appell advised that he probably will erect more than one building, and asked for permission to cut such trees as would be necessary for erection of buildings and construction of boat slips, offering to pay for such timber used in improvements. He also asked that the lease contain a renewal clause.

Motion was made and adopted that the action of October 14th be amended to allow provision in the lease that lessee may cut such timber as is necessary to clear land for his improvements, and such as he may use for construction work on the premises, charges for the timber to be agreed upon based on report from the lessee. Also, lessee will be given the right to extend the lease for 10 years at the termination of the 15 year period, terms to be renegotiated at that time.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in the following timber sales by the Florida Board of Forestry as recommended by said board:

Bay County: Little Crooked Creek timber sale, 320 acres in Sections 8, 9 and 16, Township 1 South, Range 16 West, Pine Log State Forest.

Santa Rosa County: Lot Sawtimber and pulpwood sale, 550 acres in Sections 24 and 25, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, Blackwater River State Forest.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested conveyance of fee title to a parcel of land in Section 7, Township 48 South, Range 36 East, comprising 4.82 acres, more or less, for the structure location of Pumping Station S-8 on the Miami Canal at the northern boundary of the Dade-Broward Conservation Area. Said parcel was in the right of way of old Miami Canal and of the new levee, and is now under an existing easement for the Water Conservation District. For construction of the pumping station, the U. S. Corps of Engineers requires fee title in the Flood Control District.

Motion was made and adopted that the parcel be conveyed to Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District as requested at no cost.

BROWARD COUNTY: Pursuant to request of George Polera, motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 20904 held by John Schroedel in favor of Sally Schroedel and George Polera, subject to assignees filing acceptance of all provisions of the original contract. Executed copy of assignment has been filed with the Land Office.

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DADE COUNTY: Request was made by Jack R. Rice, Jr., Assistant City Attorney for Miami, for the Trustees to execute a waiver of deed restrictions and approve issuance by the City of Miami of a one-year lease to Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company covering the "Blimp Base", comprising 11 acres on Watson Island. The Trustees have allowed the city to lease to said company on a temporary year to year arrangement for a period of years. Proposed lease requires the company to pay rental of \$300.00 monthly to the city, and the city shall approve any buildings erected.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees agree to a waiver of restrictions contained in deed conveying Watson Island to the City of Miami applicable only to the area leased to the Goodyear firm for the term of that specific lease, to allow only such operations as allowed in the past, with no other commercial activities whatever, the Attorney General's office to prepare the proper instrument.

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GULF-CALHOUN COUNTIES: At the meeting August 5th the Trustees authorized agreement with Dead Lakes Management District for loan of \$100,000.00 to match appropriation made by the 1957 Legislature, to be used in construction of a dam, with the interest rate of 3%, payment to be made only as bills for work done become due. Requirement of the one-mill levy, authorized by the Legislature, was waived conditioned upon there being no deficiency in revenue of the District through sale of fishing permits. The Director and Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane reported that subsequent to the action taken August 5th, the construction of the dam had been coordinated with road and bridge construction of the State Road Department and that a revision of the agreement was in order whereby the loan would not exceed \$60,000.00 and would be repaid in six years, and that the revision had been developed with the assistance of Mr. Ervin, including joinder in a lease purchase agreement with the State Road Department, and that invoices would be paid upon approval by the District and Road Department as the work proceeds. Attention was called to the authorization by the Budget Commission earlier today for the transfer of \$90,000.00 General Revenue funds into a special account to be matched with \$30,000.00 District funds tendered by the District and the loan of \$60,000.00 by the Trustees.

On motion, seconded and adopted, the proposed revision of the Agreement, and entry into the Lease-Purchase Agreement, in form approved by the Attorney General, were approved.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Consolidated Naval Stores Company, represented by F. Elgin Bayless, requested permit to dredge a sump in Lake June-in-Winter (Lake Stearns) to contain the intake pipes and foot valves of the three irrigation pumps used by the applicant for agricultural purposes only. The spoil from the dredging work will be returned to the deeper parts of the lake and not used on the uplands.



Motion was made and adopted that the permit be authorized for the charge of \$100.00, and in view of the circumstances, that inspection and recommendation by the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission be waived.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees, pursuant to request by Leo Butler on behalf of Louise F. Gore, approve issuance of a corrective deed for the handling charge of \$10.00, to correct part of the description in Trustees' Deed No. 17376 dated November 14, 1925.

GOVERNOR'S MANSION BUFFER ZONE: Governor Collins brought up the matter of the city-held option to purchase the Gwynn property. The lot lies diagonally across a street intersection from a corner of the mansion, and has been zoned for business. The Governor felt that state should buy the property in the public interest to keep commercial development away from the state executive mansion, but the sentiment of the Board was not unanimous. Comptroller Green stated that he was not in favor as he did not feel that the property was essential.

In the absence of Attorney General Ervin and Commissioner Mayo from this meeting, the Governor stated that he would prepare a memorandum to circulate among the entire membership to determine the feeling in the matter.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 704 listing 3 regular bids for sale of lands under Chapter 18296, and authorize issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 4560-Supplemental-Corrective to Marion H. Partrick to add certain certificate numbers to the description of the land conveyed in the original deed No. 4560 dated June 28, 1946

SARASOTA COUNTY: J. Douglas Arnest requested disclaimer of "Lots 3 & 4, a subdivision of part of that part of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  lying E of SAL RLY Plat Book 1, page 39". The Murphy Act deed issued in 1944 was insufficient to convey title because of the indefinite description, and a corrected description was conveyed in a later deed. There were, in fact, six subdivisions in the same quarter-section, and the present title holder of one of the subdivisions felt that the disclaimer would remove cloud from his title.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as requested.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR & CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 4, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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#### LAND SALE ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

##### OBJECTIONS ONLY:

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 258-44-253.12. On September 23rd the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Security Trust Company and Charles H. Gautier, co-trustees, abutting owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying westerly of and abutting Tract 4 of Highland Shores, containing 1.43 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. Description of the land was called out and there were no objections to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of the applicants at the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre.

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##### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 238-43-253.12. Mrs. Frances L. Evinrude, abutting upland owner, represented by Crary and Crary, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing approximately 3.19 acres.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel of submerged land applied for by Mrs. Evinrude.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 276-44-253.12. John Silva, abutting upland owner, represented by Robert J. Philpott, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key, containing approximately 1.38 acres.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees agree to advertise for objections only the parcel applied for by Mr. Silva.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. Ben F. Cochran, abutting owner, represented by Kirk and Pinkerton, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, containing approximately 2.78 acres in the City of Sarasota, within the bulkhead line established by said city under the authority of Chapter 27884, Special Acts of 1951.

Attorney General Ervin expressed the feeling of the Board that it was preferable to have bulkhead lines set for over-all areas. The Director pointed out that the subject property was adjacent to a municipally owned public beach where fill activity was not anticipated.

Charles H. Spitz of Keen, O'Kelley & Spitz, representing the applicant at the meeting, requested advertisement of the parcel to bring into the open any objections to the proposed sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees agree to advertisement for objections only; also, the Director was asked to advise the City of Sarasota that bulkhead lines preferably should be developed on an area basis and not for specific parcels.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 273-44-253.12. George J. Baya, abutting owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 26, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing approximately 0.61 of an acre.

The Director recommended that the application be denied and, pending complete agreement of all lot owners as to the location of a bulkhead line, the Trustees withdraw from sale those submerged lands abutting Lots 4 and 5 according to the diagram as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 54, Public Records of Monroe County and abutting Lots 12 to 21 inclusive, Block 16, Lots 1 to 6 inclusive, Block 18; and Lots 1 to 5 inclusive, Block 19 of Palma Sola as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 115 of said Public Records and Lots 1 to 5 inclusive, Block 6 and Lots 11, 12 and 13, Block 8 of Ocean Park Village, Plat Book 4, Page 14 of said Public Records.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be followed and sale of the parcel applied for by Mr. Baya be denied.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BROWARD COUNTY: Arthur Vining Davis, holder of Contracts 20851 and 20852, dated February 1, 1955, requested approval of assignment of said contracts in favor of Arvida Corporation effective October 8, 1958. The account is in good standing, the assignee has executed acceptance of all provisions of the purchase contracts, and executed copy of the assignment is on file.

By motion duly adopted the Trustees approved assignment of the contracts as requested.

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LEE COUNTY: The Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested a perpetual easement for the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, covering three additional spoil areas of submerged lands, islands and open waters of San Carlos Bay and the Caloosahatchee River (areas designated as 58-5, 58-6 and 58-8), for the maintenance of navigation.

By motion duly adopted the Trustees authorized issuance of easement granting use of the three areas as requested.

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MARTIN COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners of Martin County requested formal approval by the Trustees of bulkhead line established by County Resolution dated April 8, 1958, in the Jensen Beach area, described as being in the West side



of the Indian River beginning at the North line of the Town of Sewall's Point at a distance uniformly 250 feet outward from the mean high water mark.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line as described above, established by Martin County by Resolution dated April 8, 1958, under the purview of Section 253.122 Florida Statutes.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Wiregrass Sawtimber Sale, 523 acres in Sections 34 and 35, Township 5 North, Range 25 West, and Sections 2 and 3, Township 4 North, Range 25 West, as recommended by Florida Board of Forestry.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: On August 5th the Trustees on request of Okaloosa Island Authority, represented by Honorable Newman C. Brackin, agreed to quitclaim to Okaloosa County the interest of the state in lands adjacent to, north and west of that part of Santa Rosa Island which is east of New Pass, above mean high tide, created by deposit of dredged spoil material, in exchange for a perpetual dedication or quitclaim to insure public park and recreational use of the westerly 1,600 feet of the existing land.

Under the direction of the Attorney General, quitclaim deed was prepared for execution by the Trustees, for delivery in exchange for an instrument of dedication for public park and recreational purposes covering the northwesterly 1,600 feet of the area in question, with covenant that a roadway of suitable width be set aside, dedicated and kept open to permit two-way traffic into the dedicated park area. The county will have the right to develop, lease or sell that land quitclaimed by the state.

The Governor asked that copy of the dedication instrument be furnished to the State Board of Parks and Historic Memorials.

Motion was made and adopted that upon receipt of dedication to the state of the westerly 1,600 feet of the area for public purposes and covenant for road, quitclaim deed to the county be transmitted, all the instruments having been prepared and approved by the office of the Attorney General.

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RAMIE-KENAF FIBERS: Everglades Experiment Station submitted 15th and final report by Harley G. Morton, Fiber Technologist, on the industrialization of Florida soft fibers, copies of which were distributed to the board members. W. T. Forsee, Jr., chemist in charge of the Experiment Station, expressed appreciation on behalf of the station to the Trustees for having provided the employment of Mr. Morton. He stated that should use of the fibers become commercially important, much credit should be due to the contributions made by Mr. Morton while employed by the Trustees. Mr. Morton's employment terminated October 31, 1958.

Motion was adopted by the Trustees to accept the report for the record.

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GOVERNOR'S MANSION - BUFFER ZONE: (1) The City of Tallahassee submitted option obtained from E. L. White and wife covering the North 70 feet of Lot 13, Long Grove, for purchase at \$45,000.00, allowing owners to retain possession through 1959 and to remove furnace and shrubbery. City has assigned the option to the Trustees, but no appraisal is on file.

Motion was made and adopted authorizing appraisal made of the E. L. White property; also, in event of purchase by the Trustees, that insurance be carried by the occupant until evacuation.

(2) On October 28th the Trustees discussed the proposal to purchase the Gwynn property, and the option was extended 15 days until decision was made.

Motion was made and adopted that the state will not elect to purchase the Gwynn property, the vote being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Comptroller Green, Treasurer Larson, and  
Attorney General Ervin

Nay : Governor Collins

Governor Collins asked that the minutes show the reason for his vote as being that he felt the state should buy the property in the public interest to keep commercial development away from the state executive mansion.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 705 listing 1 regular bid for sale of Murphy Act Land.

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The Trustees have, heretofore, given blanket authority to the Director to have withdrawn or stricken such certificates in the Murphy Act lists which are clearly double assessments, church property, school land and lands which were qualified and processed under the Futch Act.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that such authority be extended to have withdrawn or stricken from the Murphy Act certificate lists, the following:

- (a) Certificates omitted when other certificates on same land were purchased prior to June 9, 1939 under House Bill 396, Chapter 18296, Acts of 1937 (Murphy Act);
- (b) State Lands proper;
- (c) Lands under widow's exemptions allowed by Section 9, Article 9, Florida Constitution;
- (d) Lands owned by U. S. on January 1st of tax year for which certificate issued;
- (e) Lands used for a non-profit cemetery; also to disclaim interest in tax certificates covering erroneous descriptions when Tax Assessor submits affidavit and evidence that such land does not exist;
- (f) Tax sale certificates erroneously issued when taxes were paid. Allow disclaimer upon receipt of tax receipt number and date the taxes were paid on the land covered by the erroneous tax sale certificate.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned

  
GOVERNOR      CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 25, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

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LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 247-08-253.12 - On October 7, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre from Punta Gorda Isles, Inc., abutting upland owners, represented by W. C. Herrell, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Charlotte Harbor in Section 11, Township 41 South, Range 22 East, lying northerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 of said Section 11, containing 31.48 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Punta Gorda Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of Punta Gorda Isles, Inc., at the price offered - \$250.00 per acre.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12 - On October 14, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre from Carl A. Norberg, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in San Carlos Bay in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, lying northwesterly and northerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 in said Section 23, and Government Lots 1 and 2 in said Section 14, and Government Lot 2 in said Section 13, containing 87.44 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Fort Myers Press and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. Norberg at the price offered - \$50.00 per acre.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 272-41-253.12 - On October 14, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 from George T. Curry, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Peterson, Meyers & Associates, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Sections 23 and 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, described as beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 24, said township and range, and thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning 18.51 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Bradenton Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.



Description of the land was called out and objections were filed by Robertson & Robertson, Engineers, on behalf of Colonel L. J. Harris, and by Charles Early, on behalf of E. Waldemar Carlson.

Mr. Ferguson submitted aerial photos and pointed out the parcel applied for which was within the established bulkhead line.

Mr. Early explained that applicants are not abutting upland owners and their application should be denied; that the proposed sale and improvement would damage his client's property to the extent of cutting down the distance of water area between his home and the proposed development from 340 feet to 160 feet; that the cutting of the two yacht basins contemplated would plug the outlet at the South end and create a pocket for debris; that his client should be entitled to purchase a portion of the submerged area in question as preemptive owner, his land being separated from the tract applied for by a small channel about seven feet (7') deep which was dug in the 1940's. His client is willing to purchase part or the entire area advertised.

Arthur B. Sachs, on behalf of applicants, indicated on the map the parcel applied for as being riparian to their upland property; pointed out on the map the location of the channel referred to, which he stated was only 110 feet long and covered with water from 1 to 1½ feet deep at high tide; that there would be no pocket for collecting debris or stagnant water as the improvements would be so constructed as to allow proper tidal flow.

The Trustees expressed the opinion that applicants might have some claim to a portion of the land as being riparian to their upland, but indicated on the map an area that could not possibly be considered as abutting their upland.

Mr. Carlson expressed a different view to Mr. Sachs as to the depth of water in the channel mentioned, stating that the flats were only exposed at very infrequent intervals in the summer at low tide; that the mullet fishermen go up in that area in boats at all times and the water was usually from ten to twelve inches at the lowest.

The Attorney General suggested that the matter could be referred to his office for study, or that agreement might be reached to file joint suit for determining rights of the various riparian owners as to whether the land applied for was riparian to applicants' ownership or to ownership of objectors; that after further examination the Trustees might decide to withhold the land from sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and duly adopted, that the Trustees refer the subject to the Attorney General for study and report with recommendations for the purpose of ascertaining who has the right of purchase or whether the land should be sold for competitive bids or not.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 274-41-253.12 - On October 7, 1958, the Town of Longboat Key made application for municipal purposes only of a tract of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 31, Township 35 South, Range 17 East, containing 111 acres, more or less, being separated from Longboat Key by a deep channel 400 feet wide at the most narrow point. The parcel is within the bulkhead line established by the town and approved by the Trustees, and has been advertised for objections only in The Bradenton Herald.

Objections to the sale have been received from Wm. H. Carey, C. Frank Harrison, Samuel Y. Gibbon, D. A. Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Leffel Brown, Weyman Willingham, Eldon H. Gleaves, and Lawrence D. Briles. Objections are that the area filled would damage the view and the natural breeding grounds of water fowl,

shrimp and fish, and that 111 acres is in excess of what the town needs or can afford to develop. Mr. Carey brought up the matter of access to the Key, sewage disposal, and loss of water view from riparian owners' property. He suggested as an alternative a smaller area of about 95 acres for municipal purposes.

Mr. Glenn L. Berry, attorney for the Town of Longboat Key, stated that the plan was not to fill the entire 111 acres applied for, but that certain portions would be retained in their natural condition for bird sanctuaries and park sites. In order to plan for the future, the town desires conveyance of an area in the center of the island for municipal buildings, fire station, school, library, post office, and recreational areas. For access to the key, no solid causeway fill is contemplated, but rather bridge-causeway, but this will have to be planned in the future. Town of Longboat Key is now very small, but the property values are high and most of the lands are in private ownership.

Present at the meeting on behalf of the Town were Mrs. Lucille Lundblad, former mayor and now a commissioner, and other town officials. Mrs. Lundblad stated that the West Coast Inland Navigation District will furnish spoil material to the town for use in filling, when the Intracoastal Waterway work is done in that locality.

Governor Collins questioned whether the large area and the causeway would run the costs up excessively in view of the present small size of the town, and he suggested that the three islands be conveyed for public purposes rather than the whole 111 acres, including islands and submerged land. This would make the town the upland owner, and when more land was needed, further application could be made to the Trustees.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that only the three islands within the area advertised be conveyed to the Town of Longboat Key without cost for public purposes only, with no garbage or sewage disposal on the islands, the deed to contain covenant that no filling will be done north of the northern boundary of the islands.

In order to be helpful to the town but not to preclude the rights of private property owners, the Trustees further authorized issuance of the deed to be withheld for 30 days to allow owners to bring suit to clarify riparian rights or to come to some agreement with the Town of Longboat Key.

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MARION COUNTY: File No. 263-42-253.36 - On October 14, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre from Charles R. Cook, abutting upland owner, represented by Farris Bryant, for purchase of a parcel of re-claimed lake bottom in Lake Ker in Section 16, Township 13 South, Range 25 East, lying northeasterly of and adjacent to Lot 1 of Titcomb's Subdivision, containing 12.8 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Ocala Star-Banner and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale. Office recommendation was for confirmation of sale in favor of applicant.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. Cook at the price offered - \$50.00 per acre, the deed to contain a clause that no liability will attach to the Trustees in the event the area should ever be flooded, and no refund in such event.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 267-44-253.12 - On October 7, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from James G. Arnold and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, lying northwesterly of and abutting Lot 10 of Tarpon Acres, a subdivision, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale. Staff recommendation was for confirmation of the sale.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of James G. Arnold and wife at the price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 268-44-253.12 - On October 7, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Meredith F. Campbell, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged lands in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, lying southeasterly of and abutting Tract 4 of Leacon-Leatherman Tract, containing 0.67 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale. Staff recommendation was for confirmation of sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. Campbell at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 269-64-253.12 - On October 14, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Mrs. Leona D. Wakeley, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 33 East, City of Port Orange, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 1 and 2 of Thomas Subdivision of Hand's Subdivision, containing 0.29 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Daytona Beach News-Journal, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and an objection was filed by Guy T. Peshek and wife, represented by Ossinsky & Krol, on the grounds that the proposed development would diminish value of their property; would deprive them of the river breeze and view; they would suffer monetary loss, and inequitable and unjust hardship would be imposed on objectors without compensation.

Mr. Ferguson pointed out on the map the location of the land advertised for sale with reference to the ownership of Mr. Peshek, and recommended that the objections be overruled since they did not appear to be valid.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections filed by Mr. Peshek and that the sale be confirmed in favor of Mrs. Wakeley, as the abutting upland owner, at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On August 5 and September 16, 1958, the Trustees approved request of Haynes E. Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County, to make sale locally of ten lots owned by the Trustees through purchase under the Murphy Act. The following bids were received for purchase of certain lots:



Lots 1 and 2	Block 110 - \$240.00 by Irvin Meline
Lot 9	Block 179 - \$110.00 by Gerald Leatherman
Lot 5	Block 233 - \$110.00 by K. E. Ford
Lots 10 and 11	Block 242 - \$450.00 by T.T.Coleman & Sarah E.Coleman
Lots 1 and 2	Block 249 - <u>\$500.00</u> by L. R. Reams
Total	<u>\$1,410.00</u>

Recommendation was made that the sales be confirmed and payment of advertising costs and Clerk's fee be authorized.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees accept the bids reported, authorize issuance of deeds in favor of the five bidders listed, and approve payment of costs as recommended by the Director.

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CONSIDERATION OF SALES HERETOFORE ADVERTISED  
AND ACTION DEFERRED  
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BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 140-05-253.12  
File No. 138-05-253.12  
File No. 141-05-253.12

On July 29th the Trustees considered applications by Poe Investments, Inc., and C. R. McCotter to purchase parcels of submerged land adjacent to their respective riparian property within the bulkhead line established by City of Titusville and approved by the Trustees, and because of objections presented by Mrs. Florence Robbins and Theodore R. Robbins, action on the two application was deferred pending further study by the staff and an attempt to work out the objections at the local level.

Also, on July 29th the City of Titusville applied for dedication of submerged bottoms for extensions of Orange, Broad and Main Streets to improve the water front on the Indian River and to facilitate movement of traffic from the causeway which leads to U. S. Guided Missile Launching Range. Mrs. Robbins and son submitted protest to this application, and action was deferred on the same basis as the Poe and McCotter applications.

Present on behalf of the City of Titusville on this date were James R. Stewart, city manager, and Max Brewer, city attorney, who showed on an aerial photograph and map the land applied for by the city for extensions of the three streets to relieve the traffic bottleneck and to improve water front facilities at this location on the Indian River. A resolution dated November 4, 1958 from the city recited that every reasonable effort had been exhausted to resolve the objections of Mrs. Robbins and son, and requested hearing before the Trustees.

J. J. Parrish, on behalf of Poe Investments, Inc., reviewed the history of the parcel adjacent to the causeway, filled by the Road Department as right of way and a portion relinquished and subsequently sold to Poe. Later an adjoining submerged area was applied for and sold to Poe and the parcel presently being applied for (TIIF File 138-05-253.12) is submerged land adjacent to the last mentioned area and the causeway right of way.

Objection to the bulkhead line and any filling in the area was filed by Mrs. Grace Scobie. Mrs. Robbins and Mr. Robbins again protested sale of land along the causeway and the Indian River in the vicinity of their upland on the grounds that further filling of submerged land would further damage their property,

and stated that the area along the causeway should be kept as public land. Undated petition protesting bulkhead and sale, showing 19 signatures, was filed.

No decision was made at this meeting, and the Trustees requested the Director to prepare a report concerning the transaction by which the State Road Department gave back a portion of State Road 402 right of way (causeway) and the subsequent conveyances in the vicinity of the current applications.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 99-52-253.12 and No. 98-52-253.12- Mr. Ferguson reported that on April 8, 1958, sales were confirmed in favor of Frank P. Caldwell, Jr. (34.6 acres), and to Milton Roy Company (60.22 acres) of submerged land in Long Bayou at the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre, and purchase contracts were entered into by both parties.

Mr. Caldwell explained that since the purchase it had developed that the proposed industrial development would not materialize and requested reduction in the price of the land; also, that since the first appraisal a new appraisal dated November 3, 1958, had been made and submitted to the Trustees, reflecting a value of \$200.00 per acre which was more in line with land values at the northerly end of Long Bayou, appraised at \$300.00 per acre, and \$250.00 per acre for land South of the railroad crossing. It was further brought out that the Caldwell and Milton Roy property lies north of the Seaboard Airline Railway which obstructs boat traffic into Long Bayou. Mr. Caldwell also filed with the Trustees copy of letter from the Seaboard Company indicating abandonment of the plan for development of the Caldwell property, and requested that the Trustees adjust price of the land in view of the circumstances outlined and the new appraisal furnished.

The Director recommended that should adjustment be made, reduction be not less than \$235.00 per acre and that it be applicable to both parties - Caldwell and Milton Roy.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the Trustees reconsider former action and fix the price of land sold to Mr. Caldwell and to Milton Roy Company at \$235.00 per acre and authorized revision of the two contracts in accordance with said adjusted price.

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#### APPLICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF LAND

The following applications were presented for purchase of submerged areas abutting upland ownership of applicants:

1. BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 139-05-253.12 - R. Nelson offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Indian River in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, located within an established bulkhead line, containing 3.01 acres, more or less.
2. DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 295-16-253.12 - F. S. McGehee offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or a minimum of \$100.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the St. Johns River abutting applicant's upland in the J. M. Hanson Grant in Section 44, Township 3 South, Range 27 East, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less.
3. MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 142-41-253.12 - Key Royale, Inc. represented by John F. Vanderipe, offered the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Town of Holmes Beach, containing 3.69 acres, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 270-44-253.12 - Hilda S. Cuniff offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Doctor's Arm Bight in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, containing 5.2 acres, more or less.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 281-44-253.12 - Joseph Giovannielli and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 1.86 acres, more or less.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 293-44-253.12 - George A. James and wife, represented by W. A. Parrish, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Boot Key Harbor in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 12.0 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the six (6) parcels of land for objections only based on the offers submitted by abutting upland owners.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 170-50-253.36 - R. H. Crawford, the abutting upland owner offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom in Lake Okeechobee in Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, containing 3.74 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer submitted and authorize conveyance of the parcel to Mr. Crawford as abutting upland owner.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF BULKHEAD LINES:

DADE COUNTY: The Director presented bulkhead lines established by the County Commissioners of Dade County, pursuant to Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, as shown on Sheets 2 to 22, inclusive, 30, 30-A, 39 and 40, with explanation that no objections had been filed against lines in Biscayne Bay - sheets 2 to 22, inclusive, and that Sheets 14, 15, 17 and 18 also included bulkhead lines along the Atlantic Ocean; that Sheet 39 delineates bulkhead lines in Biscayne Bay between Little River and Miami River and Sheet 40 from Miami River southerly to Harbor Light No. 55. Recommendation was made for approval of Biscayne Bay bulkhead lines shown on Sheets 2 to 22, inclusive, except the lines along the Atlantic Ocean; also approval of the lines shown on Sheets 39 and 40 including two islands or flats northeasterly of Deering Channel, except as to Burlingame Island. It was recommended that no action be taken at this time on the bulkhead line for Burlingame Island.

Mr. Ferguson pointed out on the maps and aerial photos the trend of development in the vicinity and the areas inclosed within the bulkhead lines, also the areas where ultimate fills would be made and the flats from which material would be removed outside the bulkhead line; that no fill plan was under consideration and any permit to fill within the bulkhead lines in Biscayne Bay would have to be approved by the Board of County Commissioners under its Special Act regulating filling in the Bay. Attention was called to the expanse of flats and the possibility that they might become a nuisance if not disturbed by hurricane action; that planned land masses might be advisable within the bulkhead lines under proper local planning.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees accept the recommendation of the Director and approve bulkhead lines as established by Dade County as to Sheets 2 to 22, inclusive, except the lines along the Atlantic Ocean, and as to Sheets 39 and 40, approval be given except for Burlingame Island.



The Director reported that Sheets 30 and 30-A show bulkhead lines at Mashta Point and Hurricane Harbor, Key Biscayne, to which objections were filed by the following:

Grover Loening, by George F. Gilleland and George L. Patterson, Jr., on the ground that the Act did not contemplate a bulkhead line as far out as approved by the County; that proposed fill would block view, impede the flow of high water, change valuable bay front property to less valuable harbor front, and submitted an engineering report on the effect of tides and currents should the fill be made. Suggested examination by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Mrs. Dorothy N. Lopez, owner of bayside of Key Biscayne, protests for the reason that filling would change and pollute the waters.

C. G. Rebozo opposes filling owing to interference with flow of water and replacement of sand on the beaches.

Edwin H. Underwood, for himself and Thomas H. Wakefield, protests on the ground of closing the mouth of Hurricane Harbor by silting, which would be greatly accelerated by filling the flats. Copy of the Loening engineering report was filed.

Albert S. Dubbins, representing owners of property on Mashta Point, urged the Trustees to approve the bulkhead lines established by the county; that he had originally opposed the line approved by the county but the present line is a compromise with which he is entirely in favor. He suggested that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line submitted and later on make a decision as to issuance of permits for filling or applications to purchase the submerged areas within the bulkhead.

The Governor expressed himself as being agreeable to going along with the bulkhead line but was not in favor of making any decision at this time to recognize riparian rights to fill or purchase.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line shown on Sheets 30 and 30-A in the Mashta Point-Hurricane Harbor areas as approved by the County Commissioners; also that approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead lines submitted today was given with the express understanding that there was no commitment or obligation on the part of the Trustees to convey any interest in the lands embraced within said bulkhead or any right to fill; that in the event of subsequent applications to purchase or fill, interested parties would have opportunity to be heard. It was so ordered. (See Minutes of November 26th rescinding this action.)

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DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 295-16-253.12 - In connection with the application from Frank S. McGehee for purchase of submerged land in front of his upland property, request was submitted for approval of the bulkhead line which had been established by Duval County Commissioners by resolution adopted November 17, 1958 affecting the land applied for.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Duval County, November 17, 1958 pursuant to Florida Statutes 253.122, 253.123 and 253.124, said line being in the St. Johns River offshore from applicants' uplands described as Lot 9, San Jose Shores, Section 2, as the same appears on the map dated October 8, 1958, prepared by R. L. Crossdell & Company of Jacksonville, Florida.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Director presented Certified copy of Ordinance No. 0-9-58 passed by the Town Council of the Town of Lantana, in Palm Beach County, Florida, establishing a bulkhead line offshore from existing lands and islands bordering on or being in Lake Worth, in the Town of Lantana. The said bulkhead line was fixed at the request of Spelman Prentice, represented by J. W. Salisbury, attorney, and Norman C. Schmid, engineer.

Map showing the bulkhead line was submitted and recommendation by the Staff was that the line established by the Town Council of Lantana be approved.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the Town Council of the Town of Lantana, Florida, by Ordinance No. 0-9-58, dated November 10, 1958, pursuant to Florida Statutes 253.122, described as being offshore from the existing lands and islands bordering on or being in Lake Worth, a navigable body of water in Palm Beach County, Florida, within the territorial area of the Town of Lantana, as shown on a map or plat entitled "Town of Lantana, Florida, Bulkhead Map", Revised February 27, 1958.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

**CHARLOTTE COUNTY:** Request was submitted from Clyde G. Marshall and Catherine M. Marshall, Earl D. Farr and Emily Sue Farr, holders of Contract No. 21897, represented by Farr and Farr, attorneys, for approval by the Trustees of assignment of said contract in favor of Neal H. Rumbaugh and William K. Rusk. Executed copy of the assignment together with signed acceptance of the contract provisions by assignees was filed with the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 21897 as requested.

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**DADE COUNTY:** Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials located one old cannon apparently abandoned on the beach or offshore by divers who removed it from a sunken vessel offshore in deep water. The Park Board believes that eight or more cannon and other relics might be salvaged and requested authority to salvage the ship for cannon which would be installed in or about historic fortifications in State Parks.

The Director recommended that the Park Board be authorized to take the cannon from the beach and to salvage the ship without requirement imposed on individuals holding treasure and salvage leases, but subject to:

- a. Define location to be salvaged
- b. List all items recovered to be filed with Trustees and Florida State Museum
- c. That the Museum's approval be sought for use of the cannon or other items as State Park appurtenances, and remaining items be made available to the State Museum for its collection of relics.
- d. Upon completion of salvage operations, report of same to be filed with the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the Director's recommendation be approved as the action of the Trustees, and that the Park Board be authorized to proceed with the salvage operations outlined.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Request was presented from Gee & Jensen Consulting Engineers, Inc., on behalf of Lewis E. Bower and Rose Bower, for disclaimer of Fractional Sections 4, 5, 9 and 10; W $\frac{1}{2}$  of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 3, Township 29 South, Range 17 East; Fractional Sections 31 and 32 of Township 28 South, Range 17 East, out to the U. S. Meander line shown on the original surveys of 1852. Mr. Ferguson explained that Patent issued to the State in 1858 as swamp and overflowed land and was subsequently conveyed October 6, 1881 to Hamilton Disston by Deed No. 10411 in accordance with old U. S. Surveys; that question had been raised as to whether the full area was firm land or whether sovereignty areas were included. The United States survey notes indicate the margin to be mangrove in 1852, and the meander may have been paid out at the margin of the growth in Tampa Bay; that owing to building up of the mangrove area by debris and sand, the land has been built up above normal water and the present shore line closely conforms to the original meander. Applicant seeks disclaimer to clear any question of title for which he offered \$2,500.00. Recommendation was made that disclaimer be authorized by reason of original representation as swamp and overflowed land and the present character in conformity to such classification.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer in favor of applicants at the price offered - \$2,500.00.

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LEE COUNTY: Fort Myers Dredging Company made application for three year shell lease covering 213 acres, more or less, in Charlotte Harbor in Sections 19, 20, 29 and 30, Township 43 South, Range 22 East. The State Board of Conservation approved the area for shell removal. It was recommended that lease be authorized with royalty of fifteen cents (15¢) per cubic yard, with \$20.00 monthly minimum and surety bond in the sum of \$2,000.00; providing for inspection by the Board of Conservation and suspension of work in event of damage to marine life, etc.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the application be approved according to the recommendations of the Director and subject to the conditions outlined.

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ORANGE COUNTY - LAKE MAITLAND: Mr. Ferguson reported that litigation involving the Trustees in the Lake Maitland suit was approaching the trial stage and since Mr. W. Turner Wallis actively assisted the Attorney General in the case, it was recommended that his services be authorized for further assistance to the Attorney General, at \$50.00 per day plus travel expense in line with that allowed state employees. It was estimated that approximately ten (10) days would be required to coordinate witnesses for the Trustees and otherwise assist in conferences and at the trial.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees authorize employing Mr. Wallis to assist in the Lake Maitland suit as outlined by Mr. Ferguson.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Request was submitted jointly by Blank & Born and Blakeslee, Herring & Bie for disclaimer under Section 253.0013, Florida Statutes, 1957, of 78.5 acres in Lake Worth, being sovereignty areas at Manalapan involved in U. S. Permits 800.61 (57-118), SAKS 823 (1012) and involved in litigation - L. C. Paslay, et al, vs. Point Manalapan Development Corporation, Chancery 38,023-A, Palm Beach County. Bridge site "A" heretofore on controversy, was disclaimed by Point Manalapan interests and Wm. E. Benjamin and wife, waiving right to construct the bridge under United States permit; also, agreement was entered into by the Point Manalapan firm, the Benjamins and L. C. Paslay, et al, in settlement of litigation and in which it was agreed



that no bridge or causeway would be constructed from Key Audubon on the West to State Road 1A1A on the East. No proof was furnished that the 78.5 acres had been filled under the U. S. Permits.

The Staff recommended disclaimer being issued as to the area actually filled when proof of filling had been filed and the file shows full qualification of the filled area under Section 253.0013.

(See minutes of Jan. 20, '59 authorizing "deed" instead of Disclaimer)

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be followed upon the filing of proof and compliance with the Statute as outlined in the recommendation, a fee of \$10.00 to be charged for handling.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Paul S. Knowles, holder of Salvage Lease No. 1148 issued November 20, 1957, requests that said lease be cancelled. The records disclosed that the lease was in good standing and was being cancelled owing to lack of equipment for removing material.

Motion was made and adopted, that the lease be cancelled as requested.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Florida Power and Light Company requested that the Trustees reconsider action taken October 28, 1958, requiring an annual charge of \$100.00 as payment for electric transmission line easement to serve the CAA "Vortac" Station at Pahokee Airport and facilities of Richlands, Inc., at Pelican Bay. The power company called attention to the fact that the easement was for only a 12 foot strip, was not a high voltage power transmission line, and was an extension for distribution to owners and users it will serve.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees rescind action taken October 28th as to annual payment and waive the charge of \$100.00 per annum for easement authorized.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Request was submitted from Ben Krentzman, on behalf of Shelter Point Company, for deed under subparagraph 3 of Section 253.12 (1), Florida Statutes of 1957, covering an area filled under United States Permit and completed prior to June 11, 1957. The deed was sought to cover part of the 4th addition to Ozona Shores, the remainder of said subdivision having been filled under Deed No. 21463 issued to A. W. Bayliss, predecessor of Shelter Point Company on January 10, 1957, covering 8.53 acres in St. Joseph Sound in Section 10, Township 28 South, Range 15 East. It was explained that actual bulkhead and filling failed to conform to the perimeter of the deeded parcel, the part remaining unfilled was, according to agreement by Shelter Point Company, to be dedicated to the public. The area filled outside the deeded parcel was 2.5 acres, more or less, for which applicant offered \$175.00 per acre, the price paid for the deed.

The applicant having complied with the statute cited, it was recommended that adjustment be made conditioned upon Shelter Point Company reconveying the 8.53 acres to the Trustees in exchange for new deed covering the area bulkheaded, filled and platted, payment to be at the rate of \$175.00 per acre for the area actually filled beyond original deed limit.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize adjustment of the transaction according to the recommendation of the Director, with exchange of deeds to be completed upon receipt of payment from Shelter Point Company at the rate of \$175.00 per acre for the area to be conveyed.

SAINT JOHNS COUNTY: Request was presented from Glenn P. Woodard, Jr., on behalf of James E. Davis for disclaimer of approximately fourteen (14) acres, and on behalf of Eunice P. Semmes for disclaimer of approximately four (4) acres, each being part of the unsurveyed land in Section 18, Township 3 South, Range 29 East, lying west of the U. S. right-of-way for Pablo Creek. Unsurveyed portions of Section 18 were patented to the State as Swamp and Overflowed land June 23, 1882, and conveyed by the Trustees on July 16, 1912. Each of the applicants holds record title under a regular chain of conveyances from the State, but question was raised as to whether the land might still be claimed by the State as sovereignty land. U. S. Geological Survey Quadrangle Map clearly shows the parcel in question to be marsh or swamp, with the only area being shown to be sovereignty in character being Pablo Creek itself, which is within the United States Right-of-way. The subject parcels were formerly owned by Florida Inland Navigation District and were conveyed by it in 1947. Recommendation from the Staff was that disclaimers be issued upon payment of the handling charge of \$10.00 each.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaimers as recommended for the handling charge of \$10.00 each.

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The Florida Board of Forestry requested approval and concurrence of the Trustees in the following:

1. OKALOOSA COUNTY: Easement for single pole transmission line to Choctawhatchee Electric Cooperative, Inc., for a twenty foot (20') right-of-way across lands of the Forestry Board in SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 6, Township 5 North, Range 23 West.
2. SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Proposed three year "Mule Lot" Turpentine Lease of 1,142 acres in Sections 5, 8, 16 and 17, Township 5 North, Range 27 West, now being advertised for bids.
3. SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Proposed sale of Turkey Creek Sawtimber, 1,600 acres in Sections 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 36, Township 5 North, Range 27 East, sale having been advertised.
4. SANTA ROSA-OKALOOSA COUNTIES:
  - (a) Right-of-way for pipe line to Houston Texas Gas and Oil Corporation, across Blackwater River State Forest lands in said counties.
  - (b) Right-of-way 20 feet wide for single pole electric transmission line to Escambia River Electric Cooperative of Jay, Florida, across Blackwater River State Forest lands in Sections 7, 18, 19, 29 and 20, Township 4 North, Range 27 West.
  - (c) Right-of-way twenty (20) feet wide for single pole transmission line to Escambia River Electric Cooperative of Jay, Florida, across Blackwater River State Forest lands in Sections 8, 5 and 6, Township 4 North, Range 26 West, and Section 12 in Township 4 North, Range 25 West.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur in the above requests from the Board of Forestry, subject to approval by the Attorney General of the form of instrument to be used and evidence that the timber sales had been advertised.

GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: Motion was made and adopted, that the state property east of the Governor's Mansion, heretofore referred to as "Governor's Mansion Buffer Zone" be herewith changed to "GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK".

GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: Attention was called to termite contract with Orkin Exterminating Company covering the residence property acquired from Honorable R. A. Gray, which contract could be maintained by the Trustees as successor in title upon payment of \$20.00 per year without the expense of entering into a new contract. It was recommended that payment be authorized to continue services of the exterminator at the rate stated, and such authority be authorized in the event similar contracts with comparable rates can be taken over on other properties acquired by the state and which may be rented now or when vacated by vendors.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director and authorize continuance of termite contracts as explained.

GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: Without objection, formal action was deferred on acquisition of the E. L. White property on North Monroe Street at a price of \$45,000.00. (See Minutes December 9, 1958)

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 706 listing 5 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land.

DADE COUNTY: Johnson Homes Corporation offered \$25.00 for quitclaim deed to all of North Bass Lake Estates, according to plat thereof, which was a portion of the land conveyed December 3, 1940 to Select Securities Company, which company had been dissolved in the State of Washington on July 1, 1937 for non-payment of annual corporate license fees.

Motion was made and adopted that, pursuant to recommendation of the Attorney General, quitclaim deed be authorized subject to reservations in the original Murphy Act deed, for the amount offered by Johnson Homes Corporation.

CITRUS COUNTY: Henry M. Butler and wife offered \$20.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act", of Lots 1 and 2, Block 86, Homosassa. Information was that applicants were not former owners on June 9, 1939, having acquired said lots on September 22, 1958 from another party who, also, was not the former owner.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that Mr. Butler's application be denied as not meeting requirements for conveyance under Chapter 28317, and the Trustees fixed starting base bid of \$40.00 per lot, plus costs, for regular Murphy Act sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 26, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met, in special meeting on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

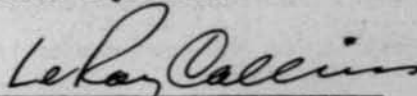
Present: LeRoy Collins, Governor  
Ray E. Green, Comptroller  
J. Edwin Larson, Treasurer  
Richard W. Ervin, Attorney General

DADE COUNTY BULKHEAD LINES:

Pursuant to requests from several property owners in the Mashta Island-Hurricane Harbor area who were unable to reach Tallahassee for the meeting November 25th, owing to a strike against Eastern Air Lines, the Trustees reconsidered action taken yesterday approving bulkhead lines established by Dade County for Mashta Island and Hurricane Harbor, as shown on maps numbered Sheets 30 and 30-A.

Motion was made and duly adopted, to rescind action taken November 25, 1958, having reference to approval of the bulkhead line for Mashta Island and Hurricane Harbor, and that a hearing be scheduled for December 9, 1958, to allow all interested parties to be heard on the subject.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 9, 1958

The Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins, Governor  
Ray E. Green, Comptroller  
J. Edwin Larson, Treasurer  
Richard W. Ervin, Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson, Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees' meetings dated October 7, 8, 14, 21, 28 and November 4, 1958, which have been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member, were formally approved.

LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 259-41-253.12. On October 21, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$660.00 per acre from Florida Power and Light Company, abutting upland owner, represented by Dewey A. Dye, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Manatee River in Section 26, Township 34 South, Range 17 East, City of Bradenton, described as beginning at a point on the north line of Manatee Avenue 40 feet west of and 4.65 feet south of the southwest corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$

of said Section 26, and thence by metes and bounds description, partially meandering the shoreline of the Manatee River, to the point of beginning, containing 1.11 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Bradenton Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Florida Power and Light Company at the price offered, \$660.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 244-44-253.12. On October 21, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Edward Havelka et al, abutting upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land located easterly of and adjacent to Governor Lot 6, Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, Monroe County, more particularly described as follows: Parcel "A" beginning at the intersection of the east line of said Government Lot 6 and the easterly shoreline of Big Pine Key, thence south 140 feet to a point, thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning and containing 1.04 acres, more or less; and Parcel "B" beginning at the intersection of the south line of said Government Lot 6 and the easterly shoreline of Big Pine Key, thence east 125 feet to a point, thence by metes and bounds description to the point of beginning and containing 1.05 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of Edward Havelka, et al, at the price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 279-44-253.12. On October 21, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 an acre from Frank Unger and wife, upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, more particularly described as beginning from a point on the northwesterly side of the Overseas Highway (State Road No. 5, formerly F.E.C. Railway) at the dividing line between Lots 10 and 11, Plat Book 1, page 59, Monroe County records, thence continuing by metes and bounds description, partially meandering the high tide line of Florida Bay, containing 0.43 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of Frank Unger and wife at the price offered - \$250.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 280-44-253.12. On October 21, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from J. E. Ravlin, et al, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Sections 11 and 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, more particularly described as beginning from the intersection of the dividing line between Lot 6 and Lot 9 in said Section 11, as shown on Model Land Company plat recorded in Plat Book 1, page 68, public records of Monroe County, with the northwesterly right of way line of the Overseas Highway, and thence by metes and bounds description and partially meandering mean

high tide line on the shore of Blackwater Sound, containing 1.75 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of J. E. Ravlin, et al, at the price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 289-44-253.12. On October 28, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Ruth Cash Putnam, represented by William R. Neblett, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, northerly of and adjacent to Lots 1 through 9, Block 53, Maloney's Subdivision, Plat Book 1, page 55, Monroe County Official Records, more particularly described as beginning at intersection of north line of Block 53 of said Maloney's Subdivision and the east line of State Road 9055-152 (Cross Street), and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning, containing 3.06 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and no objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Ruth Cash Putnam at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 282-44-253.12. On October 21, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George M. Weed, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying southerly of and abutting Lots 8, 9 and 10 of Teatable Park, Plat Book 2, page 44, containing 0.73 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection to the sale was filed by A. F. Parmalee of United States Safety Service Company, adjoining owner.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees overrule the objection and confirm sale of the land in favor of George M. Weed at the price offered - \$300.00 per acre; also that the Director advise objectors of the Trustees' position and allow them thirty (30) days within which to purchase in front of their upland at the same price.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were presented for purchase of submerged areas abutting upland ownership of applicants:

1. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 283-44-253.12. Little Conch Key Investment Corporation, by Walter S. C. Rogers, offered the appraised price of \$240.00 per acre for purchase of 26.0 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, lying easterly of Little Conch Key, in Section 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East.
2. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 284-44-253.12. Herman J. Bode, et ux, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of 2.1 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key.
3. **ORANGE COUNTY:** File No. 132-48-253.36. Fred D. Gregory



offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of 0.42 of an acre, more or less, of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Apopka in Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 27 East.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the three (3) parcels of land for objections only, based on the offers submitted by the abutting upland owners.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 297-44-253.12. Gordon Kyle of Kyle Brothers Land Company, abutting upland owners, made application to purchase a tract of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 4, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 10.0 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees deny the application for the reason that the tract applied for extends approximately 2,000 feet into Pine Channel from the shore line of applicant's upland.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 103-52-253.12. A. E. Mann and Lloyd C. Cole, abutting upland owners, represented by McMullen, Rives and Baskin, made application for a parcel of submerged land in Cooper's Bayou riparian to Government Lot 2, Section 10, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, for which area bulkhead lines have not been officially adopted by the City of Clearwater or by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority.

The Trustees examined an aerial photo and a print showing proposed bulkhead lines in the bayou proposed by the City of Clearwater in the vicinity of the Mann-Cole application area, and heard Chester B. McMullen, Jr., attorney, and Clarence W. Knecht, engineer, both on behalf of the Mann-Cole application. Said application was filed in June 1957, and passed by the county as a purchase application. Request for bulkhead line had been informally approved by the county, but an over-all line for the bayou area could not be approved because it was between two municipalities. It was stated that the Town of Safety Harbor had done nothing toward establishing a bulkhead line.

Joseph C. Young, on behalf of L. H. Zinsser, owner of adjoining property, filed objections and was present at the meeting to object to the bulkhead line, the proposal to relocate a channel, and damage which might occur to his client's property from an excessive fill development.

Attorney General Ervin explained that while the bulkhead line was agreeable to the county, it was not officially approved and any action by the Trustees would be tentative, subject to county confirmation. This application had been long delayed, partly because the Trustees had asked for an over-all line fixed by the county.

In the interest of Mr. Knecht, engineer for the applicant, W. Turner Wallis stated that the engineering firm had held their finances in reserve during the long delay on this application. In view of the fact that the county had approved the bulkhead line within the limits of this application, he felt that it was proper for the Trustees to consider the case on its merits, knowing the importance of a decision without continued delay.

The Trustees appeared willing to act on this application provided the tentative bulkhead lines for the remainder of the bayou zone were submitted by the county, and the Attorney General suggested that the Trustees' office work with the county to finalize the bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the county be asked to hold a hearing within 30 days, if possible, on bulkhead lines in the area coordinated with the line for Mann and Cole, and that

the Director or a representative should attend to discuss with the county and report back to the Trustees.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 303-52-253.12. The Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, represented by Denny J. McGarry, requested conveyance of submerged lands in front of Lots 11 to 14, inclusive, Block 1, Indian Pass Beach Revised and in front of 193<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, in the Narrows, being lands needed for a municipal sewage treatment plant for which a federal grant was pending. The proposed extension was within a bulkhead line recommended by the Town to Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, but appeared to extend into a zone riparian to the estate of Gulf View Cabin Villa, and it was not the policy of the Trustees to convey lands in front of a street.

Inasmuch as the town advised that delay would jeopardize the federal grant, the Director recommended that grant be approved to the city covering submerged lands between the mean high water line and right-of-way of West Coast Inland Navigation District, subject to advertisement for objections, procurement of written consent by Gulf View Cabin Villa interests, or in lieu thereof modification of the original application to avoid infringement on abutting adjacent owners, and acquisition of the segment of upland street by the city.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be approved as the action of the Board.

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**BREVARD COUNTY:** Earl Gutermuth made application to remove 2,500 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of the Indian River offshore and within the area riparian to his upland property, being Lots 39, 40 and 41 of Block "B", Jorgensen's Plat of Grant, in Section 28, Township 29 South, Range 38 East. Motion was made and adopted that permit be granted to Mr. Gutermuth as requested, with a charge of \$125.00 as payment for the material at the rate of 5¢ per cubic yard.

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**BROWARD COUNTY:** The City of Fort Lauderdale requested a deed or permissive license agreement for use of a parcel of land in Section 12, Township 50 South, Range 42 East, containing 0.607 of an acre, more or less, to be used as a public park at the west end on the south side of East Las Olas Bridge in Fort Lauderdale. The State Road Department has issued a license agreement for establishment of the said park, which with beautification will enhance approach of the new bridge.

Motion was made and adopted that the area requested be dedicated to the City of Fort Lauderdale for public park and recreational purposes under the supervision and control of the city, subject to reversion for non-use for three consecutive years.

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**DADE COUNTY:** Because objecting parties were unable to attend the meeting on November 25th due to airline strike, the Trustees on November 26th rescinded their action of the 25th approving the Dade County bulkhead line shown on Sheets 30 and 30-A, in the Mashta Point-Hurricane Harbor area, and set this date for further hearing on that portion of the line.

In addition to objections filed (see minutes of November 25th), the following persons were present to protest the proposed Mashta Island bulkhead line and probable filling to follow: George F. Gilleland and Robert Perrine, representing 36 owners in Hurricane Harbor Island Association, Grover Loening, H.A. Kuvin, and Thomas H. Wakefield, property owners along the bay coast across from Mashta Island.

Mr. Loening protested the size of the proposed fill and bulkhead line, which he said would cause gradual choking up with silt of Hurricane Harbor, now used as a refuge and for sports, the

natural flow of the tides here being a safety factor during hurricanes. An engineering report by Mr. Loening had previously been filed with the Trustees, which objected to the bulkhead line because of the effect filling would have on tides and currents in the vicinity of Hurricane Harbor and increased hurricane danger.

Mr. Kuvin, an engineer and teacher at the University of Miami, a property owner who lives near Mr. Loening, stated that he objected at the County Commission hearing, and urged the Board not to approve this bulkhead line. On a drawing, he pointed out how, in his opinion, all the property in the area would soon be on stagnant water, lowering property values and interfering with the view and riparian rights of many home owners; and even with a 300-foot opening, which the applicants proposed to put in at Loening's point, the bulkhead would increase silting and violate the rights of bayfront property owners and all citizens of Florida.

Mr. Perrine, as president of Hurricane Harbor Association, spoke on behalf of 36 property owners whose homes on the outside perimeter of the harbor are valued at approximately two million dollars. He stated that he presented 27 letters objecting to the bulkhead line at the County Commission hearing. He expressed the opinion that the bulkhead act was intended to straighten out the shoreline, not to build extensions out into the bay.

Mr. Gilleland stated that the area proposed to be filled is exposed only at extremely low tides, and provides a water view for property in the area. He called attention to the act prohibiting building out in Biscayne Bay, and to the size of the area planned to be filled - approximately the area of the upland property owned by Judge Dubbin's clients.

Mr. Wakefield objected to the silt which he thought would build up on a giant scale after the bulkhead and fill was allowed, and stated that he doubted whether there had been sufficient engineering study and consultation on this bulkhead line. He objected to the damage the filling would do to his view, stated that he had lived there about forty (40) years.

Judge Albert S. Dubbin, representing Mashta Island owners, introduced Mr. Bennett of Biscayne Engineering Company, who disagreed with the objectors as to increase of hurricane damage due to the proposed bulkhead line. In his opinion, the filling would improve the property and navigation, cutting off only about 30% of the view.

Judge Dubbin explained that his clients, property owners on Mashta Island, would provide an 85-foot opening at the upper end of Hurricane Harbor, at which location there formerly was a water opening which was later closed up. This would be designed to provide an outlet for backed up water, such as hurricanes could cause. Work on bulkhead line was begun in June, 1957, and E. A. Anderson, Dade County engineer, checked the plans for 18 months. Mr. Garriis brought his work up and conferred with Mr. Ferguson.

Governor Collins said that the Trustees should have a specific statement from Dr. Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory on evaluation of the danger, as conflicting statements were presented.

Attorney General Ervin felt that the Trustees should have more data and further study would be required as to the engineering questions. While the Board realized the delay might inconvenience the prospective applicants, the Trustees would not be justified in taking action at that time.

Mr. Ferguson was directed to refer Sheets 30 and 30-A of the Dade County Bulkhead Line to the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, advising of the desire of the Board to be informed of their independent judgment as to whether or not a bulkhead line here



would jeopardize Hurricane Bay and the residents in that vicinity. It was so ordered.

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**FRANKLIN COUNTY:** Application was made by Snow Beaches, Inc., and Joe Priest, represented by Wm. K. Whitfield, for 92,000 cubic yards of fill material to be taken from Ochlockonee Bay, Apalachee Bay and King Bay, in the Forbes Purchase, to improve the area known as Mashas Island. The Director recommended that permit be issued restricting the material to be used to sand, and including a provision that no oyster bars be molested or undermined in the operations, the consideration for the permit to be \$2,440.00.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Board, and permit authorized as requested by Snow Beaches, Inc., and Joe Priest.

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**HIGHLANDS COUNTY:** Marvin D. Kahn, represented by Harry Lee, made application to dredge 300 cubic yards of material from Lake Jackson, approximately 250 feet offshore within the property line extensions of Lots 6 and 7, Block 257 of Lake Sebring Subdivision, Plat Book 2, page 16, Highlands County Records, the material to be used for back filling said lots for a firm building foundation. The City of Sebring has filed letter approving the dredging.

Motion was made and adopted that permit be issued to Mr. Kahn, subject to favorable recommendation from the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, for the amount of \$90.00, representing the \$75.00 minimum charge plus the cost of material at 5¢ per cubic yard, the regular rate.

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY:** Gupton-Kelley & Associates, on behalf of Lyle C. Dickman, requested a corrective deed to correct the description shown in Trustees Deed No. 21837 (110-29) dated July 8, 1958, as several calls in said description have been found to be in error due to discrepancy in survey furnished by applicant.

Motion was made and adopted that corrective deed to Lyle C. Dickman be authorized, for \$10.00 handling charge.

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**LAKE COUNTY:** Honorable Carl E. Duncan, Joe Knolls, and Eugene J. Burrell, appeared to express the appreciation of Oklawaha Basin Recreation and Water Control and Conservation Authority for the Trustees' help by advancing the loan so that the Authority could make a start in developing water conservation, flood control, and passage for small craft boating for recreation. Mr. Duncan explained the projects which are completed, including over 40 miles of improved inland waterway from north to south end of Lake County and 28 miles of improved waterways in the Palatka Lake Chain in the Clermont-Groveland area. Plans of the Authority contemplate completion of all projects next year.

Representing the first payment from Lake County in replacing the funds loaned by the Trustees, Mr. Duncan presented to the Trustees a check from the Board of Oklawaha Basin Recreation and Water Control and Conservation Authority in Lake County, in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Governor Collins accepted the check on behalf of the Trustees and expressed appreciation for the leadership in Lake County which has made the progress of the Authority possible.

**LEE COUNTY:** Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt, on behalf of W. R. Ayres, applied for a quitclaim under Section 253.12(1) F. S. to a parcel of filled land in Section 19, Township 46 South, Range 24 East, Lee County, lying northerly of and now a part of Lots 8 and 9, Block 11, San Carlos on the Gulf, Plat Book 6, page 6, containing 0.45 of an acre, more or less, which said parcel was filled in late 1954 or early 1955.

Motion was made and adopted that quitclaim deed be issued to W. R. Ayres based on the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or the minimum charge of \$100.00 in this instance.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** Request was made by F. F. and J. E. Ravlin of Luckey Star Corporation and Lonjo Corporation, owners of Government Lot 4 in Section 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, shown as 29.71 acres on original U. S. Survey of 1875 and in Patent issued to the State in 1879, for quitclaim of the submerged area within the original meander. The Trustees sold Government Lot 4 as 29.71 acres in 1886 to predecessors of the applicants, but actual area above mean high water is only 9.58 acres.

The Director advised that he employed G. A. Crawshaw, Surveyor and Engineer of Marathon, Florida, to inspect the area personally to seek tangible evidence on the ground as to whether the original shore line had receded 500 or more feet and to give opinion, based on his inspections, Coast Chart, or other data, as to whether such change was gradual imperceptible erosion over the years or was the result of avulsion or sudden change by hurricane, or if any difference would be accountable to dredging or other artificial device. The reports by Mr. Crawshaw set forth that he had surveyed the area prior to the Director's request for study; that soundings reveal a depth of 0 to 0.25 feet at mean low tide in the area under consideration, and attention was directed to the existing excavation shown on his map which also showed the shore line as delineated on map of a subdivision made about 1910 by Model Land Company, Plat Book 1, page 68, which plat indicated upland in part of the area now submerged at normal high water. Mr. Crawshaw's third report, dated November 19, 1958 concludes, "I am unable to determine whether the erosion in Government Lot 4 was caused by gradual recession or a series of hurricanes. I believe hurricanes would probably have been the cause."

Motion was made and adopted that upon receipt of certificate from Mr. Crawshaw as to his findings, quitclaim deed be issued as requested for \$10.00 handling charge.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** The Utility Board of the City of Key West made application for a perpetual easement for public utility purposes only, on and across a strip of submerged land forty feet in width in Sections 20, 21 and 29, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, along the northerly right-of-way of the new location of State Road No. 5 (U. S. Highway No. 1).

Motion was made and adopted that the easement be granted with no charge to the city, for public utility purposes only.

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**OKEECHOBEE COUNTY:** Haynes E. Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court, advised the Trustees that he held applications for purchase of Lots 9, 10, 15, 17, 19 and 20 in Block 61, City of Okeechobee, being former Murphy Act lands which were purchased by the Trustees, and he requested authority to advertise and hold public sale at the county courthouse.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Williams be authorized to advertise the six lots in Block 61 with a base offer of \$75.00 per lot, and to hold public sale at the county courthouse under the rules authorized on September 16th, with Clerk's commission to be \$10.00 for each application so processed.

**ORANGE COUNTY:** The Lake Conway Water and Navigation District of Orange County (the Board of County Commissioners) as created by Chapter 57-1643, Laws of Florida, made application for the following:

(1) Perpetual dedication, for public purposes only, of the street extensions into Lake Conway over and across the reclaimed lake bottoms thereof to the 86.4 ft. elevation contour of the following named three streets as laid out and platted: Fern Creek Drive in Waterwitch Club Subdivision in Section 18-23-30, Randolph Avenue in Harney Homestead Subdivision in Section 24-23-29, and Parkway Drive in Venetian Gardens in Section 18-23-30.

(2) Formal permission of the Trustees to construct on the three parcels drainage wells which have been tentatively approved by the State Board of Health.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of the proper instruments to comply with request by the Lake Conway Water and Navigation District of Orange County.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Application was made by the State Road Department for right-of-way for the new location of State Roads 27 and 80, identified by the Road Department as Section 93100-2113, across those reclaimed lake bottom lands in Lake Okeechobee between the Palm Beach-Hendry County line to Lake Harbor in Sections 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 34 and 35, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, and Section 2, Township 44 South, Range 35 East, containing 62 acres, more or less, Palm Beach County, title to which is in the Trustees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that perpetual easement for road purposes be authorized in favor of the State Road Department.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Director recommended that notice be authorized that the Trustees will not participate in cost of maintenance after July 1, 1959, of levee of Shawano Drainage District along the north side of Sections 19, 20, 21 and west side of Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 38 East. The Trustees had planned a cooperative project in the area and became obligated to pay one-half of levee maintenance expenses by contract between Trustees and the District which contains provision for withdrawal of Trustees after six-months notice. The cooperative project was not developed, and further contribution by Trustees was not considered advantageous.

Motion was made and adopted that the Director give notice to said District as recommended above.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** McMullen, Rives & Baskin, on behalf of Victor Sellers who was grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 19828, made application for a corrective deed to correct the bearing on one call in the legal description.

Motion was made and adopted that corrective deed be issued as requested, at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge.

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**POLK COUNTY:** File No. 20-53-253.36. J. Hardin Peterson on behalf of the grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 21698, J. M. Hemphill et al, made application for a deed to show a more correct description of the land conveyed.

Motion was made and adopted that corrective deed be issued to J. M. Hemphill et al, for the handling charge of \$10.00.



SANTA ROSA COUNTY: The Trustees voted approval and concurrence in the Florida Board of Forestry's Ates Hammock Sawtimber Pulpwood Sale, 500 acres in Section 23, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, Blackwater River State Forest, conditions of sale having been examined and sale advertised for sealed bids.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: (1) The Director reported that fire protection is inadequate for the Trustees' office, in which are files, maps and records in large measure irreplaceable, and that automatic extinguisher units are needed which will not destroy the maps and records. He explained the types and cost of extinguishers for the building and stated that a bid of \$472.50 had been received from Fyr-Fyter Sales & Service for furnishing the recommended equipment including installation.

(2) The Director requested authorization for the expenditure not to exceed \$75.00 for moving furniture and records from the ground floor to the second floor to enable more efficient use of available space in the building.

Motion was made and adopted authorizing expenditure of \$472.50 for the chlorobromomethane fire protection units from Fyr-Fyter Sales & Service, and expenditure of \$75.00 for moving expenses.

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GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: (1) On November 4, 1958, the Trustees instructed the Director to secure appraisal of the E. L. White property, being the North 70 feet of Lot 13 Long Grove, which the City of Tallahassee had obtained option to purchase for the sum of \$45,000.00 subject to owners remaining in possession through the year 1959 and retaining and removing furnace and shrubbery, said option to expire December 15, 1958 and having been assigned by the city to the Trustees.

Appraisal by H. Pierce Ford was secured, giving the following:

Residence:	1,800 sq. ft. first floor;	
	1,345 sq. ft. second floor	\$15,000.00
Lot:	85 ft. x 175.5 ft. at	
	\$375. ft.	<u>31,875.00</u>
		\$46,875.00

(2) Purchase of the D. Peyton Yon property was consummated subject to a tenancy to continue to October 14, 1959, in the city's contract of purchase which was assigned to the Trustees.

The Director recommended that since the state will become landlord January 1, 1959, the Space Allocator be authorized to assist in making arrangements with the tenant for rentals to be paid to the account of the Trustees on the same rate as had been paid to Mr. Yon, and that the tenant be advised that right to occupy the premises will terminate October 14, 1959.

Motion was made and adopted approving payment for appraisal made by H. Pierce Ford of the E. L. White property; also, the Trustees approved the Space Allocator being authorized to proceed as recommended by the Director as to the D. Peyton Yon property. The Attorney General asked that he be recorded in the minutes as not voting on the purchase of the White property.

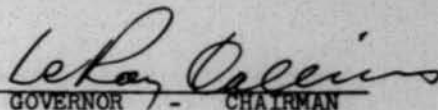
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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 707 listing three regular bids for sale of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 10, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in special meeting in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins, Governor  
Ray E. Green, Comptroller  
J. Edwin Larson, Treasurer  
Richard W. Ervin, Attorney General

DADE COUNTY:

Mr. Victor LeVine, on behalf of the Variety Club of Miami, submitted endorsement by the City of Miami of the Club's request for authority to conduct a brief educational exhibition for charitable purposes in cooperation with Pan American Air Ways, at Watson Island. The exhibition would be on a non-commercial basis with proceeds from voluntary contributions to be paid to Variety Club Children's Hospital.


The dates requested by Pan American Air Ways for the exhibition would be December 19, 1958 through January 31, 1959.

The request was also endorsed by Senator Joe Eaton and Representative Cliff Herrell of Dade County.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Treasurer Larson and adopted, that the Trustees grant request from Variety Club of Miami and that the Attorney General have an assistant in the Miami area work out the details and prepare the necessary agreement.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins, Governor  
Ray E. Green, Comptroller  
Richard W. Ervin, Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson, Director-Secretary

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 301-41-253.12. Peder Mickelsen & Son, Inc., abutting upland owners, represented by John F. Vanderipe, offered the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre for three (3) parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 14 and 20, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Holmes Beach, containing 4.128 acres, more or less. The bulkhead line for the Town of Holmes Beach was established and has been formally approved by the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be approved, subject to advertising for objections only.

WALTON COUNTY: William Ehrenpreis of Brooklyn, New York, offered \$20.00 per acre, which is in excess of the appraised price, for the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 17 West, containing 79.94 acres.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees agree to advertise the land for competitive bids, starting with the offer of \$20.00 per acre.

DADE COUNTY: Charles B. Oglesby renewed application to purchase Government Lots 1 and 2 of Section 23, Township 58 South, Range 40 East, containing 48.07 acres, which was twice rejected in 1956 by reason of the fact that it would be in the best interest of the state to retain ownership. The land was appraised in 1956 at \$125.00 per acre, is low coastal swamp with considerable mangrove and accessible only by water, has more than one-half mile frontage at north end of Card Sound and lies less than three-fourths mile offshore from Long Arsenicker Key. Bulkhead line has not been approved by the Trustees, being near Lower Biscayne Bay islands, and in view of uncertainty as to development in the area, it was recommended that the land be retained under previous withdrawal order.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees deny the application and continue the withdrawal order on the parcel.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

BREVARD COUNTY: George Kothmann made application to remove 400 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of the Indian River offshore and within the area riparian to his upland property described as Lot 18, Block "A", Jorgensen's Plat of Grant, in Section 28, Township 39 South, Range 38 East.

Recommendation was that permit be granted at a cost of \$20.00 as payment for the material at five cents (5¢) per cubic yard.

Motion was made and adopted, that permit be authorized for removing the material as recommended by the Director upon payment at the rate of five cents per cubic yard.



**MONROE COUNTY:** The State Road Department requested easement across submerged bottoms of Boot Key Harbor in Sections 9 and 16, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, to be used in connection with Section 90560-2152 State Road-Boot Key, part of said bottoms being within the area under contract purchase by Tropic-South, Inc., Contract No. 20979.

In discussing the subject it was suggested by the Governor that easement be granted to the State Road Department subject to any rights which might accrue under any contract.

Motion was made and adopted that the suggestion of the Governor be approved as the action of the Board.

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**OKALOOSA AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES:** Florida Board of Forestry requested that the Trustees approve and concur in

(a) Cannontown Sawtimber Sale involving 492 acres in Sections 13 and 14, Township 4 North, Range 25 West, Okaloosa County;

(b) Middlecreek Turpentine Lease for a period of 3 years, involving 1100 acres in Sections 24, 25, 35 and 36, Township 4 North, Range 26 West, and Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 26 West;

all being in Blackwater River State Forest, and sale now being advertised.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve concurrence in the sale and lease as requested.

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**ORANGE COUNTY:** Lake Maitland Litigation. The Director reported that on November 25, 1958, the Trustees authorized engaging Mr. W. Turner Wallis to assist the Attorney General in the pending Lake Maitland litigation at a total cost not to exceed \$500.00. Inasmuch as Mr. Wallis employed an assistant to handle part of the work, it might be feasible to pay invoices submitted by Mr. Wallis on behalf of himself and his assistant, at some saving of expense to the Trustees, and without exceeding the total anticipated.

The Attorney General and Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, explained the progress in the suit and the desirability of having the services of Mr. Wallis and the saving in expense by use of his assistant.

Attorney General Ervin suggested that in this particular litigation the Trustees authorize the Attorney General to approve whatever necessary expense may arise so far as the Trustees' Office is concerned in preparing evidence for use in this case; that Mr. McLane will approve each item in advance of any expense to be incurred.

Motion was made and adopted that the suggestion of the Attorney General be approved as the action of the Board.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Jupiter Inlet Bulkhead - The Board of County Commissioners submitted a resolution adopted December 8, 1958, establishing the bulkhead line along the northerly side of Jupiter Inlet in Sections 31 and 32, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 75, Jupiter Inlet Beach Colony and more fully described in said resolution, under provisions of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, and Chapter 57-1685, Special Laws of 1957. The county requested approval by the Trustees.

Motion was made and duly adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by resolution of Palm

Beach County Commissioners December 8, 1958, along the northerly side of Jupiter Inlet as set forth in said resolution.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: Request was presented from Sims & Wood, on behalf of Francis Patrick, original grantee in Trustees Deed No. 19700, that description be corrected to include the words "along the meander line" which were inadvertently omitted from original description.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the correction requested be authorized at a handling cost of \$10.00.

STATE OFFICE BUILDING AT WINTER PARK, FLORIDA: William F. Armstrong Expediter of State Office Building Projects, requested loan to cover salary of maintenance personnel and minor supplies for the building pending occupancy and collection of rents, estimated not to exceed \$2,000.00 and not to exceed two (2) months from January 1, 1959. Repayment would be from rentals to be collected and should be possible within three (3) months from February 1, 1959, the tentative occupancy date.

Motion was made and adopted that a loan not to exceed \$2,000.00 be authorized with repayment to be on or before May 15, 1959.

TRUSTEES' MINUTES: The Director requested authority to receive bids for printing minutes of the Trustees for the biennium July 1, 1956 - June 30, 1958, for an estimated 60 copies (50 paper bound and 10 leather bound).

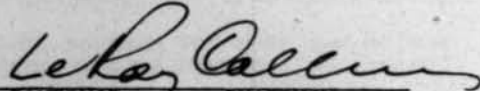
Discussion was had as to the best method of providing a sufficient number of copies of the minutes, the Attorney General expressing the view that it would not be advisable to discontinue printing the minutes as his office consulted them frequently and they should be reproduced in a convenient volume for reference with proper index.

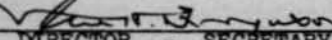
Without objection, the Director was requested to check further into type of reproduction, the cost of same and the number of copies required and submit such information to the Board at a later date.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 708 listing one bid for purchase of land under Chapter 18296 and authorize issuance of deed conveying the land described in said bid.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 23, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

**MARTIN COUNTY:** File No. 238-43-253.12. On November 4, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Frances L. Evinrude, abutting upland owner represented by Crary & Crary, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, lying easterly of and abutting the North 620 feet of that part of Government Lot 5 of said Section 26, lying south of the easterly extension of the north line of the south half of Government Lot 4 of said Section 26, containing 3.19 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Stuart News and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed or presented to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 217-44-253.12. On August 12, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Ferdinand Prybl, the upland owner, represented by John P. Goggin, for a parcel of submerged land in Long Key Bight in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, more particularly described as commencing at the intersection of the west line of Section 34, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, and the centerline of U. S. Highway No. 1, as existing January 15, 1956, and thence by metes and bounds description, said parcel containing 1.5 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection to the sale was filed by the State Road Department, on the ground that said Department did not wish to approve any further sales along State Road No. 5 in Monroe County which are involved in the former right of way of the Florida East Coast Railway until such time as the litigation which is now in Court has been settled.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer action for further information and working out of the objections of the Road Department, with consideration to be given at a later meeting.

**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 276-44-253.12. On November 4, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from John Silva, abutting upland owner represented by Robert J. Philpott, for a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key, being more particularly described as commencing at the intersection of the West line of Section 30, said township and range, and the southeasterly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1, thence continuing by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning, and containing 1.38 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by Alice Isabel Mustard for the reason that she considered any extension or filling to the distance anticipated by the sale would prevent normal tidal drainage of the beach in front of her property. Also, objection was received from E. R. Lindabury and wife on the ground that filling would injure their property.

Motion was made and adopted that the sale be deferred for further information and working out of the objections, if possible, with report to be made at a later meeting.



SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. On November 4, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre from Ben F. Cochran, abutting owner, represented by Kirk and Pinkerton, for a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, City of Sarasota, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block "F" of Central Broadway Subdivision, thence north 300 ft., thence west 952.88 ft. to the Point of Beginning; thence north 670.25 ft., thence east 252.16 ft., thence south 12° west a distance of 685.22 ft., thence west 109.70 ft. to the Point of Beginning, containing 2.78 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line previously established by the City of Sarasota. The land was advertised for objections in the Sarasota Herald-Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

An objection to the sale filed by the Sarasota County Commissioners was later withdrawn in the interest of cooperation with the City of Sarasota, which had signified their approval of the sale by approving construction permit for the fill desired by Mr. Cochran.

John F. Burket, Jr. had indicated that David Lawrence had objections to file and Attorney General Ervin stated that objection was made by a phone call from Mr. Lawrence, at which time deferment was asked before settlement of the matter, as time was needed for further preparation and filing of formal objections to the proposed sale.

J. Velma Keen, on behalf of the applicant, protested any further delay in view of the circumstances; Mr. Cochran's application was filed in June and all requirements of the Trustees were complied with; notice was duly published, allowing protesting parties thirty days to present objections.

Mr. Ervin stated that because the Board had been rather lenient about granting postponements to objectors, he had indicated to Mr. Lawrence that the matter could be deferred.

Comptroller Green suggested that if protests were not brought in on time, right to object should be forfeited. It was the consensus of opinion of the Board that it would be desirable to establish a policy as to the time allowed for objectors to be heard, but no definite action was taken on adopting such a policy.

John C. Pinkerton, attorney for the applicant, explained that several months ago he went over the plans of improvement with Mr. Burket and did not know what the specific objections were, but in deference to the Trustees he would be glad to comply with a reasonable postponement.

Motion was made and adopted that action on the sale be deferred, and date was set for further hearing on January 6, with Mr. Burket and Mr. Lawrence to be notified by the Director.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 260-31-253.12. Riomar Corporation, the abutting upland owner, by Sherman N. Smith, Jr., offered the compromise price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Sections 5 and 6, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, Vero Beach, Florida, containing 85.00 acres, more or less, in an area which was partly filled by the Mosquito Control District.

Attorney General Ervin stated that the compromise price was arrived at based on the fact that the state's title is in dispute, some of the land being claimed by upland owners because of a patent out of the government and a question about the meander line of the submerged area.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be approved, and advertisement for objections only authorized, based on the offer submitted.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 265-52-253.12. William I. Nolen, abutting upland owner, made application for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Sound in Section 22, Township 28 South, Range 15 East. Information was that Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958 denied Mr. Nolen's application for establishment of the bulkhead line and his application to purchase the submerged land.

In view of the action taken by the Pinellas Authority, motion was made and seconded that the Trustees deny application by William I. Nolen, without prejudice.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

COLLIER-HENDRY COUNTIES: Humble Oil and Refining Company made application for advertisement of an oil and gas lease covering 5,800 acres, more or less, including 1,320 acres in Township 47 South, Range 28 East, Collier County, owned in fee simple; reserved interest in 1,080 acres in Townships 46 and 47 South, in Range 29 East, and in Township 48 South, Range 30 East, Collier County; and reserved interest in 4,720 acres in Hendry County, Florida.

The applicant agreed to royalty payments of not less than one-eighth in kind or in value, plus fifty cents per acre annual rental increasing 5% of such original amount annually after the first two years, and lease shall be for a primary term of 10 years. Bidding shall be on the cash consideration therefor.

Motion was made and adopted that based on the offer from Humble Oil and Refining Company, the lease be advertised for competitive sealed bids.

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MONROE COUNTY: Gulf Oil Corporation, holder of Oil and Gas Leases Nos. 826-K, et seq., requested permission, insofar as the Trustees are concerned, to conduct additional reflection seismograph operations in the area between Key West and Tortugas, beginning on or before January 1, 1959, the operation possibly extending into the margin of adjacent Leases 373 and 374 held by the California Company.

Action of the Board was to approve the proposed survey, conditioned upon no work being done until permission was obtained from The California Company, the U. S. Department of Interior, the U. S. Corps of Engineers, the U. S. Navy Department, and the State Board of Conservation, and photostatic copies of such clearance filed with the Trustees, all work to be completed on or before July 15, 1959.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: (1) The Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority referred to the Trustees for formal approval Permit No. DF83, which was approved by said Authority for dredging and filling in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, as per application submitted by Wilbur C. Stone on behalf of Walter Collany.

(2) The Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority referred to the Trustees for formal approval Permit No. DF85, which was approved by said Authority for dredging and filling in Section 31, Township 29 South, Range 15 East, as per application submitted by W. S. Wightman on behalf of his client, E. F. Andrews.

Motion was made and adopted that Permits Nos. DF83 to Walter Collany and DF85 to E. F. Andrews be approved in view of the approval of Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority.

PINELLAS COUNTY: On December 9, 1958 application was considered from A. E. Mann and Lloyd C. Cole, represented by Chester B. McMullen, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Cooper's Bayou riparian to Government Lot 2, Section 10, Township 29 South, Range 16 East. Bulkhead lines for the area not having been officially adopted by the City of Clearwater or by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, the action of the Trustees was that the county be asked to hold a hearing within 30 days, if possible, on bulkhead lines in the Cooper's Bayou area, the Director or a representative from the Trustees' Office reporting to the Board on the county's action.

John Moriarty, on behalf of Mr. McMullen, was present to determine what further information was required by the Trustees and to request that a date be set for the final disposition of the Mann and Cole application. He was advised that the Trustees have felt that a uniform bulkhead throughout the county was desirable. Some field study was indicated.

No definite date could be set for further action on this application until information from the city and the county, and a map, had been furnished for study by the Director, and recommendation made to the Board.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Report was made to the Trustees on property at the northwest corner of Adams and Gaines Street acquired from Mrs. Alligood, and information was that the present tenant, Mrs. Gladys A. Cornish, desired to continue occupancy.

Motion was made and adopted authorizing six-month lease or rental agreement effective January 1, 1959, subject to termination on 90-day notice by Trustees or tenant, and it being specified that the Trustees will make no repairs during the period nor assume any liability arising out of the tenancy authorized.

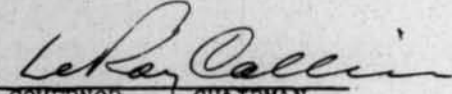
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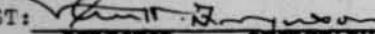
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 709 listing 13 bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto; also issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 2787-Cor. to Roberta R. McMillan was approved, for the purpose of correcting an error in the original deed.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 30, 1958

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General



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APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LAND

BROWARD COUNTY: Shao-Fen Chen made application to purchase Tracts 111 and 112, Florida Fruit Lands Subdivision No. 1, Plat Book 2, Page 17, in Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, containing 10 acres, more or less. He proposed to grow mangoes on the land, which is located 7 miles south of Twenty-Mile Bend, 1/2 mile west of U. S. Highway 27 and 1 mile south from South New River Canal, and immediately east of Levee L-37.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the land be advertised for competitive bids, based on the offer submitted of \$250.00 per acre.

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DADE COUNTY: On September 23rd the Trustees granted a six-month extension from October 14, 1958, for commencement of a well under Lease No. 340-340-A, held jointly by Commonwealth Oil Company and Coastal Petroleum Company, the same to be completed to 11,500 feet within twelve months. The two companies also hold Lease No. 1055 on adjacent properties, under which a well must be commenced by February 15, 1959 and drilled to 6,000 feet. Request was made for revision of the extension agreement, as follows:

- (1) The well under Lease 1055 to be begun within 6 months after October 14, 1958 and drilled to 11,500 feet instead of 6,000 feet within 12 months from October 14, 1958 and completion of such well to such depth within said 12 month period to be deemed compliance with the provision in Lease 1055 requiring well begun within the 2½ year period which would end February 15, 1959.
- (2) The well under Lease 340-340-A to be commenced within 90 days after compliance with (1) and completed to a depth of 11,500 feet within 6 months after such beginning date, and such drilling and completion under Lease 340-340-A to be deemed compliance with the drilling requirement for the 2½ year period of said last mentioned lease, expiring October 14, 1958;
- (3) That in the event of failure to comply with (1), the holders will forfeit both leases.
- (4) That in the event of failure to comply with (2) only, the holders will forfeit Lease No. 340-340-A.

It was recommended that revised agreement be authorized. With reference to Lease 1055, the 2-month extension for well to be commenced would offer advantage of an added depth of 5,500 feet, and the allowance of extension to 90 days after completion of the well on Lease 1055 as the commencement date for the well on Lease 340-340-A would allow better coordination of drilling operations.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted that the revised agreement as outlined above be authorized, the new agreement to vacate the extension agreement which was authorized September 23rd and executed October 9, 1958.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: George B. Waggaman, on behalf of Mrs. Katherine M. Waggaman, requested extension of time in which to make payment of balance of rental due July 10, 1958 under Grazing Lease No. 531-A. Payment of \$1,000.00 was made on July 10th, leaving a balance of \$1,122.62 which the Trustees, on July 15, 1958, authorized deferred until November 15, 1958, with interest. Mr. Waggaman

advised that due to serious illnesses in the family, funds were not available at present but that payment could be made on March 15, 1959.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted that deferment to March 15, 1959 be allowed for payment of the balance of \$1,122.62 due July 10, 1958, with interest from said date to be at six percent (6%).

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SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Humble Oil and Refining Company requested approval of assignment of its 3/4 interest in Oil and Gas Lease No. 833 to Commonwealth Oil Company. Report was made that executed assignment has been submitted with executed acceptance of the lease provisions by the assignee.

Motion was made and adopted that approval be given to the assignment as requested by Humble Oil and Refining Company.

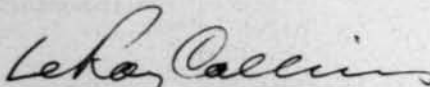
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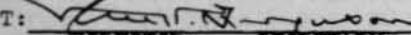
The Director requested formal approval of authority given by three members individually for incurring expense, estimated at \$233.65, for work on the foundation of the building occupied by the Trustees' Office at 803 South Adams Street, where heavy map equipment had caused the floor joists to sag and need reinforcement.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted that said expense be approved for payment.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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1959

Tallahassee, Florida  
January 6, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Greer	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General (Present part time)

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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BREVARD COUNTY: The Director recommended authorization of a State Permit to Sebastian Inlet District for extension of jetty and construction of groins in Sebastian Inlet in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory. Harry C. Goode,

Chairman of Sebastian Inlet District, advised by telephone that plans will be modified to conform to Coastal Laboratory's recommendation.

Motion was made and adopted that issuance of State Permit to Sebastian Inlet District be authorized for jetty and groin construction in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, with requirement for bond waived, the permit to include a covenant saving the Trustees harmless from any claims for damage to persons or property.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 262-13-253.12. With reference to the request by Mr. Ben Shepard in the minutes of September 16-17 for conveyance of certain submerged land in and around property owned by the City of Miami Beach on which is located Mount Sinai Hospital, application was presented by Mt. Sinai Hospital of Greater Miami, a non-profit corporation, with offer of token payment of \$100.00 per acre for 7.16 acres of submerged land within the approved bulk-head line, adjacent to Collins and Johns Islands and other land of applicant, in Sections 22 and 27, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, in Biscayne Bay, to be used in conjunction with and as a part of its hospital facilities. A portion of the area sought is subject to temporary easement to the State Road Department which proposes to fill the area under easement in connection with its 36th Street Causeway project.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that in view of the quasi-public non-profit proposed use of the land, the token payment of \$100.00 per acre be accepted in lieu of the appraised value, and sale be approved subject to advertisement for objections, deed to contain covenants restricting use to hospital purposes, subject to reversion for non-use for five (5) consecutive years, and subject to the temporary easement to the State Road Department.

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DADE COUNTY: Application was made by the State Road Department for (a) perpetual easement in and to Biscayne Bay sovereignty lands, being submerged lands, sand bars, fills, and islands in Fractional Section 22 and Fractional Section 27, in Township 53 South, Range 42 East, required for Interstate Project Section 8709-402 (State Road No. 25), 36th Street Causeway; also, (b) temporary easement to fill, grade and slope on submerged lands, sand bars, fills, islands, and other sovereignty lands also in Fractional Section 22 and Fractional Section 27, in Township 53, South, Range 42 East, adjacent to the areas sought for perpetual easement for the 36th Street Causeway. The Director recommended that inasmuch as the areas sought abut upland, execution and delivery of the easement be authorized subject to the State Road Department evidencing written consent of the upland riparian owners as required by Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957. It was noted that part of the area sought for temporary easement is included in the application to purchase filed by Mt. Sinai Hospital considered on this date.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be approved as the action of the Board.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: Approval was recommended of Resolutions 374 and 375 of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District adopted by the Governing Board on December 12, 1958, setting forth the position of the district concerning sales of sovereignty bottom lands in Lake Tohopekaliga (Res. 374) and East Lake Tohopekaliga (Res. 375). Reference was made to former Resolutions 295, Lake Tohopekaliga, and 293, East Lake Tohopekaliga, recommending sales to elevations 56 and 59 mean sea level, respectively. The



new resolutions set forth the necessity and advantage of restricting sales to protect against loss of storage capacity and to provide additional capacity in the event it should become mandatory to raise the regulatory stages. The District now has no objection to sales by Trustees (1) down to elevation 54.0 m.s.l. in Lake Tohopekaliga, and (2) down to elevation 57.0 m.s.l. in East Lake Tohopekaliga, provided such conveyances of lands between 56.0 and 54.0 in Lake Tohopekaliga, and between 59.0 and 57.0 in East Lake Tohopekaliga shall include the following clause:

"By the acceptance and recording of this conveyance, the grantee, his heirs, successors and assigns, does hereby release Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District, its successors and assigns, from all liability due to flooding by virtue of any future regulation of lake levels under the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control Project",

and that all requests for dredging and filling of such lands be referred to the Staff of the District for review.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, that Resolutions 374 and 375 adopted by Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District be approved as to sales of sovereignty lands within the boundaries of Lake Tohopekaliga and East Lake Tohopekaliga in Osceola County.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Mr. J. Velma Keen appeared before the Board on behalf of his client, Lee Rattner, regarding the purchase by the Furen and Fulford interests of submerged lands in Cats Point Bank area in Boca Ciega Bay, in connection with which four lawsuits are pending, two on appeal. Information was that the present owner's Permit to fill is conditioned on filling being begun in one year, which time will expire January 14, 1959, and Mr. Keen stated that his client is not estopped from proceeding to fill by pending suits.

Attorney General Ervin remarked that the land sales previously made to Al Furen appeared adverse to the public interest, but recognized Mr. Rattner's right to proceed on advice of his counsel. Mr. Ervin proposed to make a study of possibility of restraint on filling, by Court Order.

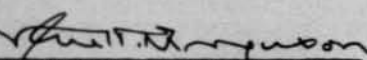
Governor Collins reviewed the history of the sale, which the present Board questions as to whether it was in the public interest. The Trustees do not desire any encouragement of filling of the Furen tract pending settlement of legal questions now before the Courts, and any filling at this time must be considered as done without sanction of the Trustees. The Governor stated that the Attorney General should be authorized to resist filling by injunction or other procedure.

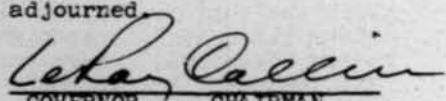
Mr. Keen advised that his client is forced under provisions of the local Pinellas County act to proceed with filling before the time limit expired in order to avoid forfeiture of his rights under the Permit and advised that his client proposes to commence dredging and filling under his Permit, possibly on January 7, 1959. The Attorney General questioned whether stipulation could be entered into extending Permit deadline, however, Mr. Keen felt that this was not practicable by reason of the Local Act.

Motion was made and adopted that the Attorney General proceed in the matter on behalf of the State as in his judgment is practicable and proper.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 13, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins Governor  
J. Edwin Larson Treasurer  
Richard W. Ervin Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson Director-Secretary

#### LAND SALES

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 139-05-253.12 - On November 25th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from R. Nelson, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, Brevard County, Florida, lying easterly of and abutting Block "F" of LeBaron's Plat of Titusville, containing 3.01 acres within established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Titusville Star-Advocate and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections were received from Mrs. C. J. Enright on the ground that she protested any filling out into the Indian River. Recommendation was made that the sale be deferred pending consideration of other applications for land in the immediate vicinity which had been advertised.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer action on the sale to R. Nelson until a later meeting.

DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 295-16-253.12 - On November 25th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or the \$100.00 minimum charge in this case, from F. S. McGehee, the adjacent upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the St. Johns River containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less, abutting Lot 9 as shown on Plat of San Jose Shores, Section 2, being a part of Lots 8 and 9, San Jose Shores, Plat Book 23, page 87 of Duval County Records, in Section 44, Township 3 South, Range 27 East. The land was advertised in the Jacksonville Journal and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of F. S. McGehee at the price offered, the \$100.00 minimum deed amount.

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 142-41-253.12 - On November 25th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$175.00 per Acre from Key Royale, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by John F. Vanderipe, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Town of Holmes Beach, Parcel "A" beginning at a point 1,324 feet south of the NW corner of Section 21-34-16, thence N. 61° 23' E. a distance of 13 ft., thence S. 55° 58' 32" E. a distance of 287.61 ft. to the NW corner of a bridge to School Key (Key Royale) and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning; and Parcel "B" beginning at the NE corner of Section 20-34-16 and going South 1324.00 ft., thence N. 35° 45' 30" W., a distance of 95 ft. to the P.O.B., and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning containing 3.69 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Bradenton Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

No objections were filed to the sale, but it was recommended that action be deferred pending revision of the bulkhead line for the City of Holmes Beach in Area No. 2, and modification of the application to conform to the revised bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred as recommended by the Director, pending revision of the City of Holmes Beach bulkhead line in Area No. 2, and modification of application.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 270-44-253.12 - On November 25th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Miss Hilda S. Cunniff, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Doctor's Arm Bight in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, commencing at the northwest corner of Government Lot 7 of said section, bearing south for a distance of 1011.65 feet to the point of intersection with the mean high water mark of Doctor's Arm Bight, the point of beginning, and thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning, containing 5.2 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land applied for to Miss Cunniff at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 281-44-253.12 - On November 25th application was presented from Joseph Giovannelli and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, who offered \$150.00 per acre, the appraised price, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, lying southerly of and abutting Lots 19, 20 and that Lot numbered 21 immediately joining said Lot 20, Block 58, Crain's Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 1, page 51 of Monroe County records, containing 1.86 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land applied for in favor of Mr. Giovannelli and wife, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 293-44-253.12 - On November 25th offer of \$200.00 per acre, the appraised price, was presented from George A. James and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by W. A. Parrish, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Boot Key Harbor in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, commencing at the intersection of the west line of Government Lot 1 of said section, and the southerly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1, thence by metes and bounds description back to the point of beginning, and containing 12.0 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections to the sale were filed by John G. Carr and Charles P. Malumphy on the grounds of possible damage to property values by proposed use of the land as a trailer park and low-cost housing units, and adverse effects on the harbor by filling.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred and the sale be further considered at the next meeting.



PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 103-52-253.12 - On December 9th A. E. Mann and Lloyd C. Cole, abutting upland owners, represented by McMullen, Rives and Baskin, and Clarence W. Knecht, engineer, applied for a parcel of submerged land in Cooper's Bayou riparian to Government Lot 2, Section 10, Township 29 South, Range 16 East. Objections were heard, and decision was deferred till this date.

Mr. Knecht, on behalf of the applicants, explained the topography of the area, the development plan, and asked for approval of the application and the bulkhead line, a portion of which had been established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority after three local hearings. The greater portion of the bulkhead line encompassing this application was set by the City of Clearwater, but the county had not officially approved the city's bulkhead line. The applicants asked to purchase only the area which they proposed to fill and develop. The fill would block the mouth of Cooper's Bayou, but a canal opening, which the applicants agreed to dedicate, of 150 feet wide dredged 8 feet deep provided for adequate flow area, in addition to the channel between the fingers, in the opinion of the county engineer.

Joseph C. Young, speaking for L. H. Zinnsser and other objectors from whom a petition was received, requested that the Trustees not approve the proposal to relocate a channel and put in excessive fill development which might damage his client's property.

The Trustees were of the opinion that the fill appeared bad, possibly should not have passed at the local level, and because the over-all bulkhead line had not been received from the Authority, further information and study by the staff was required before final decision on the application.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that no action be taken, and that the Trustees' staff obtain further information, by an examination of the location.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 303-52-253.12 - On December 9th the Trustees considered application from the Town of Indian Rocks Beach, South Shore, represented by Denny J. McGarry, for conveyance of submerged lands in "The Narrows" in Section 30, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Block 1 and 193rd Avenue of Revised Indian Pass Beach Subdivision, containing 2 acres, more or less, to be used for a municipal sewage treatment plant.

Mr. McGarry was present on behalf of the Town of Indian Rocks Beach, and pointed out on the plat the submerged area desired, and the bulkhead line which was approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority. He filed with the Trustees copy of agreement by the Gulf View Cabin Villa interests, and agreed to furnish copy of the city's resolution to fill and improve the street which will provide access to the treatment plant. The said street, being 193rd Avenue (Daphne Avenue), has been vacated, and the town acquired fee simple title to the northerly 25 feet of the right of way. Dedication for municipal purposes of the southerly 25 feet of street right of way by the Trustees was requested.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees grant to the town, for public purposes only, the parcel of sovereign land desired for the municipal sewage treatment plant, and dedicate the southerly 25 feet of street right of way as requested.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: Mr. Billy Conner, on behalf of the Sidarlen Development Corporation, requested reconsideration by the Trustees of application for the purchase of additional submerged land in Long Key Bight, Long Key, in Sections 3 and 4, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, Monroe County, which application was denied in

meeting of October 21, 1958, because the limits bayward from the applicant's upland encroach upon the riparian rights of other adjacent upland owners. The submerged lands requested are bayward of the line beyond which no further conveyances are being made, and the Director recommended that the application again be denied.

Motion was made and adopted that application of Sidarlen Development Corporation be denied for the reasons stated.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 309-44-253.12 - Enrique Eguren and wife, upland owners, represented by C. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 21, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 290-48-253.36 - Cora B. Crawford and Ethel L. Crawford, individually and as administratrices of the estate of Sarah C. Cullen, deceased, represented by Whitfield, Wright & Whitfield, attorneys, and W. F. Steed, who was present at the meeting, made application to purchase 50.74 acres of exposed reclaimed lake bottoms in Lake Conway in Sections 17, 18 and 19, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, at the prevailing price of \$500.00 per acre, deed recommended to be issued without advertising according to the policy of the Trustees for riparian owners around Lake Conway.

It was reported to the Trustees that the Board of County Commissioners acting as the Lake Conway Navigation and Water Control Authority had not recommended this sale, because of finding fault with the \$6.4 contour line established by the Trustees and above which many Lake Conway sales have been made by the Board.

Attorney General Ervin stated that Mr. Steed had discussed this matter with him, and after reviewing the history of the Cullen land and application made in 1956, he approved the sale at this time to the upland owner in view of the long existing policy of the Trustees to sell to the upland owner reclaimed land caused by receding of Lake Conway.

Mr. Steed explained that the upland parcel had been owned by the Cullen estate for over one hundred years, and they are asking to purchase only the exposed land to the contour line as the Trustees have sold to other owners around the lake.

Governor Collins desired to discuss the matter with someone on the Orange County Commission before voting. Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that sale of the land applied for by the Misses Crawford be authorized subject to approval by the Governor.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 294-48-253.36 - James L. Jarnagin, abutting upland owner, represented by William Y. Akerman, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre, or the minimum price of \$200.00 in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed Lake Conway bottom land in Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 0.038 of an acre, more or less. Written approval of the conveyance was filed by the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the offer of \$200.00 for the parcel of reclaimed land, and authorize issuance of deed to Mr. Akerman without advertising, in the usual manner as other Lake Conway sales.

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 304-43-253.12 - Louis J. Schneider and wife, abutting owners, represented by Arthur R. Clonts, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Jupiter Sound in Section 19, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, containing 2.74 acres, more or less, within the modified bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Martin County.

Certified copy of action taken by the Martin County Commission on August 26, 1958, was furnished, which modified the General Bulkhead line adopted by the county August 13, 1957, and approved by Trustees December 23, 1957, with respect to the North 200 feet of the South 600 feet of Government Lot 3, Section 19, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, to the following:

Start at the N.W. corner of Section 19, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, Martin County, Florida; thence run South 89° 24' 22" East a distance of 229.15 feet; thence run South 16° 50' 37" East a distance of 435.53 feet; thence run South 89° 24' 22" East a distance of 73.15 feet to the Easterly right of way of U. S. Highway #1; thence run South 16° 50' 37" East along said Easterly right of way a distance of 266.04 feet; thence run North 73° 09' 23" East a distance of 171.95 feet to the Westerly shoreline of the Jupiter Sound for a point of beginning; thence run South 20° East to a point on said Westerly shoreline a distance of 850.00 feet; thence meander said Westerly shoreline Westerly and Northerly to the point of beginning; less right of way of U. S. Highway #1.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the modified bulkhead line established by Martin County in front of and abutting the parcel of land in Section 19, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the land applied for by Louis J. Schneider and wife.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES APPROVED

PINELLAS COUNTY: The Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority referred to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line for Craig P. Cochrane which was established by said Authority on November 17, 1958, in Tampa Bay, lying in a portion of Section 13, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, and Section 18, Township 32 South, Range 17 East. It was recommended that the bulkhead line be approved.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958, applicable to the property of Mr. Cochrane.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority referred to the Trustees for formal approval, the bulkhead line for the Town of Redington Beach which was established by said Authority at the meeting on October 9-10, 1958, as requested by the town. The bulkhead line parallels the existing seawall line at a point five feet waterward or bayward from the existing seawall throughout the length of the municipality, and lies in Boca Ciega Bay in Sections 4, 5 and 9, Township 31 South, Range 15 East. It was recommended that the bulkhead line be approved.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on October 9-10, 1958, applicable to the Town of Redington Beach.



### MISCELLANEOUS

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: H. Rohde, represented by Harry Lee, applied for permission to dredge 300 cubic yards of material from Lake Jackson, some 250 feet offshore within the property line extensions of Lots 3, 8 and 9, Block "A" and Lot 9, Block "B" of Lake Shore Park Subdivision, Plat Book 1, page 1, Highlands County Records, said material to be used to improve the beach and to fill several low pockets or depressions on the applicant's uplands. The City of Sebring by letter, approved the dredging.

Motion was made and adopted that permit to H. Rohde for the amount of material requested be authorized, subject to approval by the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, for the charge of \$90.00, representing the \$75.00 minimum plus the cost of the material at 5¢ per cubic yard.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: The Florida Board of Forestry requested approval and concurrence of the Trustees in three-year turpentine lease ("Lee") of 803 acres in Sections 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17, Township 4 North, Range 25 West. The Director reported that conditions for competitive bids have been examined and advertisement was proposed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in the Board of Forestry's lease, subject to advertisement for bids as provided by law.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12 - The City of Dunedin requested a special hearing to be set for discussion of the city's application for conveyance of three tracts of submerged land in St. Joseph's Sound for development and construction of a causeway and/or bridge connecting Caladesi and Honeymoon Islands with the mainland. Tract One consists of 2,557.57 acres, more or less, of submerged lands lying within the bulkhead line around Honeymoon Island, Township 28 South, Range 15 East; Tract Two contains 506.64 acres, more or less, in Township 28 South, Range 15 East, as right of way for proposed causeway; and Tract Three contains approximately 467 acres of submerged lands lying within the bulkhead line adjacent to Caladesi Island.

Mr. S. E. Simmons, special counsel for the City of Dunedin, explained the provisions of the Special Act, Chapter 29030 of 1953, by which the Trustees are required to convey certain lands in St. Joseph's Sound upon application by the city, a portion of said lands the city contemplated conveying to Curlew Properties, Inc. as compensation for construction, at no cost to the city, of a causeway and bridge which they felt would be of great public benefit to that area and an economic advantage to the state. In addition to the causeway and bridge, the project contemplated sites for a marina, disposal plant and public beach for the city.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the application had been studied for several months, the Coastal Laboratory had furnished report, and the applicant had cooperated with suggestions of the staff as to engineering problems.

Mr. Adrian Bacon was present on behalf of the developer, Curlew Properties, Inc., which had a contract with the Coastal Laboratory for detailed examination. He stated that all engineering data was required to be prepared by the developer's engineers according to State Road Department specifications.

The Trustees discussed the benefits of the proposed causeway for the city, and suggested that hearing be on a regular meeting day other than the day to be fixed for hearing on the Randolph fill, for which a special hearing was requested due to numerous objections.

Governor Collins suggested that consideration be given to some special procedure of holding hearings, and asked that the Attorney General's office make a study of the subject with a view toward eliminating long hearings before the Trustees. The Governor also stressed the fact that authorization of advertising did not indicate approval by the Trustees of sale of the land applied for, but was for the purpose of getting facts and objections, if any, before the Board for total consideration of the merits.

Motion was made and adopted that the application by the City of Dunedin be advertised for hearing on March 3rd, and that the Randolph Fill (File No. 213-52-253.12) which had already been advertised, be brought up at the next meeting to decide on a date for final consideration.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12 - Final hearing on the application from Ben F. Cochrane, represented by Keen, O'Kelley and Spitz and Kirk and Pinkerton, and on which objections have been received, was again postponed and date set for January 20th. On December 23rd this application was discussed, and delay in hearing was granted on request of John F. Burket on behalf of David Lawrence.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson recommended authorization of a State Permit, in accordance with recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, to Kenneth Reutlinger and Albert F. Reutlinger for installation of retaining wall and groins extending into the Gulf of Mexico at applicant's property in Government Lot 1, Section 9, Township 38 South, Range 18 East, on Casey Key, where erosion has created an urgent need for control.

Motion was made and adopted that permit be authorized as recommended by the Director, for the usual charge of \$10.00.

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TRUSTEES' MINUTES: On December 16th the Director was instructed to investigate methods of reproducing the 1956-1958 minutes of Trustees' meetings and report to the Board. Heretofore, a type-setting job was used, requiring all proofs to be read and corrected, and the bids received for the last volume ranged from \$7.75 to \$11.77 per page. Reproduction by offset from photo-reduction direct from the official minutes appeared much more satisfactory, and the following bids were received for 60 copies of which 50 will be paper bound, 10 in leather binding:

Rose Printing Company, Inc., Tallahassee	\$6.68 per page
Dixie Printing Company, Inc., Tallahassee	7.19 per page
Robinson's, Inc., Tallahassee	7.62 per page

All of these firms can produce the bound copies without the official minutes being carried outside the City of Tallahassee.

Motion was made and adopted that the low bid made by Rose Printing Co., Inc., be accepted by the Trustees, based on specifications furnished each bidder.

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EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK: The National Park Service requested conveyance of all state-owned lands within final boundary fixed by Public Law 85-482, 85th Congress, H.R. 6641, July 2, 1958. The boundary includes School Section 16, Township 53 South, Range 29 East, and Section 16, Township 53 South, Range 30 East, Monroe County, totalling approximately 1,920 acres of school lands, which the State Board of Education agreed at their meeting this date to exchange with the Trustees for Sections 15, 16 and 21 of Township 56 South, Range 37 East, title to which will come to the Trustees

in the exchange with the United States. The transaction includes exchange of lands by the Trustees and the United States, and among the lands to be received by the Trustees are Township 56, Range 37, Dade County, also 7,040 acres in Township 55, Ranges 32 and 33 (part of the "Patton Tract"), and a marginal Gulf area estimated at 22,480 acres.

Among the areas required for the park are lands conveyed by Barron Collier, Jr., and Miles Collier to the Trustees on December 12, 1951, and on March 21, 1952, the deeds including lands outside the final boundary, not required for the park. Attorney General Ervin explained that the Collier lands were conveyed to the State in trust, those within the boundary to be deeded to the National Park Service when final boundary was fixed, and those outside to be returned; and he felt that the Trustees should conclude the transaction as to the Collier lands in that manner, only that part within the areas of the boundary to go to the Park Service.

The Attorney General stated that Congress passed the Act fixing boundary around the line which had been suggested by F. C. Elliot as possible settlement, and at a recent conference in his office with representatives from the National Park Service, details of the final land exchanges and conveyance were discussed. The Act provided that with the Trustees deeding everything the state may own within the perimeter boundary of the park, the Park Service will deed to the state everything outside that they have already received. Agreement was reached several years ago that the whole title would be conveyed - including mineral rights.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the exchange with the State Board of Education as outlined be approved and that the exchanges of deeds be consummated at the earliest possible date, conveying (a) Murphy Act lands held by the State within the final boundary, and (b) all lands of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund within the final perimeter, including sovereignty areas and the parcels of Collier lands inside the boundary, excepting all rights and interests not held by the State or Trustees, and that the three school sections which the State Board of Education had agreed to convey to the Trustees be included in conveyance (b); that the State's conveyances be delivered in exchange for conveyances by the United States of the three tracts mentioned above; also that authority be given for return to the Collier interests of the Collier lands outside of the park boundary as approved by the Attorney General.

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**GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK:** Secretary of State R. A. Gray advised the Trustees that he had vacated the premises at 721 North Adams Street, leaving certain equipment for use, without charge, in the event the Trustees rent the property for residential use. He retained ownership of certain items listed in letter of December 31, 1958, and asked to remove same in the event the house is not rented or is removed.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Gray retain ownership of gas range, kitchen table, breakfast room set, hot water heater and tank, outside fuel oil tank, and two television aerials, with right to remove same as requested.

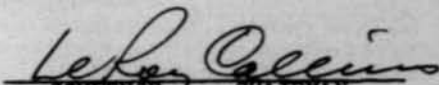
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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Request was made by Strazzula Brothers on behalf of Philip Strazzula for extension of time in which to complete the 9th payment which was due September 16, 1958, and past due interest which amounted to \$4,100.41, under Contract No. 20752 made in 1954 for purchase of 655.48 acres in Section 3-45-41 at \$22,698.10. Payment of \$2,000.00 on the account was made January 12th, which the firm asked the Trustees to accept as evidence of good faith, and explanation was that delay in payment was occasioned by heavy losses in crops last winter and recovery was slow. Inasmuch as the unpaid balance, including past due interest, is less than 20% of the purchase price, extension to March 16th was recommended by Mr. Ferguson.



Motion was made and adopted that extension be allowed as requested, interest at 6% to be paid for the period of extension.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 20, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees of the following dates were approved having been examined by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member: November 25, 1958, special meeting of November 26, 1958, December 9, 1958, special meeting of December 10, 1958, December 16, 23, and 30, 1958, and January 6, 1959.

#### LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 217-44-253.12 - On December 23, 1958 the Trustees deferred action, pending working out of objections, on proposed sale to Ferdinand Prybl, upland owner represented by John Goggin, of 1.5 acres of submerged land in Long Key Bight in Section 34, Township 64 South, Range 35 East. The objections were withdrawn by the State Road Department, as the area in question is beyond the limits of the old Florida East Coast Railway's right of way, and the Director recommended that sale be confirmed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Prybl at the appraised price offered - \$200.00 per acre.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 293-44-253.12 - On January 13th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from George A. James and wife, upland owners, represented by W. A. Parrish, for 12.0 acres of submerged land in Boot Key Harbor in Section 9-66-32, Key Vaca, and action was deferred until this date.

Recommendation was that objections to the sale filed by John G. Carr and Charles P. Malumphy be overruled for the reason that property of objectors was separated by lands heretofore conveyed and under development, and it was not shown that sale to Mr. James could damage the land of objectors.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that objections be overruled and sale of the parcel applied for be confirmed to Mr. James, at the price offered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 256-52-253.12 - M. B. Young and wife, upland owners, represented by Wightman, Rowe and Tanney, filed application with the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for establishment of the bulkhead line and purchase of two (2) parcels of submerged land in easterly side of "The Narrows", in Sections 7 and 8, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing a total of 3.1 acres, more or less. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Authority on December 11, 1958, approving the bulkhead line and the sale of the submerged land was furnished the Trustees. Offer of \$150.00 per acre was made by the applicant, however, appraised value was set at \$350.00 per acre.

No objections were filed, either at the local hearing or with the Trustees' office. Bill Wightman, present on behalf of the applicant, stated that the bulkhead line tied in with the tentative over-all line of Pinellas County, and the Trustees' staff felt that placing the bulkhead line here would set a good precedent toward getting other portions of the line in that vicinity well placed. The Director recommended the sale, pointing out that the land is in shallow mangrove area, a sufficient distance from the waterway channel, and the development would provide improvement of the waterway and elimination of the mangrove.

Motion was made and adopted that the bulkhead line be approved as established by the Pinellas Authority, and sale confirmed in favor of M. B. Young and wife, subject to payment at the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 257-52-253.12 - M. B. Young and wife, upland owners, represented by Wightman, Rowe and Tanney, filed application with the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for establishment of the bulkhead line and purchase of 11.0 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the easterly side of "The Narrows" in Section 7, Township 30 South, Range 15 East. Local hearing was held, and the applicant modified the original application to conform to the requirements of the Authority. Certified copy of action taken by the Authority on December 11, 1958, approving the bulkhead line and sale was filed with the Trustees. Applicant offered \$150.00 per acre; however appraised value was \$350.00 per acre.

Bill Wightman requested that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line and sale, and stated that it conformed with the over-all bulkhead line of Pinellas County, which was the Grant Miller line prepared for the county and approved as the tentative over-all line.

Attorney General Ervin voiced objections felt by the other members, also, to the small segments of bulkhead line being presented, in view of the Trustees' conference with the Pinellas County officials at which time an over-all bulkhead line for the county was requested. He stated that they did not want to approve an application which might start a precedent and cause protests, but could understand the desirability of allowing an upland owner to develop shallow mangrove area a sufficient distance from the channel of the waterway.

The Director recommended the bulkhead and sale, at the appraised price, since development of the shallow area will improve the waterway, eliminate the mangrove, and tend to set a desirable limit for other applications.

Governor Collins suggested that decision be deferred, and Mr. Wightman was requested to furnish an aerial photograph of the

application area to more clearly show the nature of the mangrove, and a letter from the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority stating their firm intention to extend the bulkhead line in that vicinity so that the specific line in the application under consideration here was in conformity with the over-all bulkhead line for the entire area.

It was so ordered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 287-52-253.12 - Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., upland owners, represented by Wightman, Howe and Tanney, filed application with the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for establishment of the bulkhead line and purchase of 1.23 acres of submerged land in Clearwater Harbor in Section 9, Township 29 South, Range 15 West, City of Clearwater. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Authority on December 11, 1958, approving the bulkhead line and sale was filed with the Trustees.

Mr. Ferguson recommended deferment, to allow Pinellas County to amend its bulkhead line as to that part which was established across a land mass area - the fill of an old causeway, title to which is partly in the City of Clearwater.

The Attorney General stated that the line could not be set on the filled land, and discussion followed regarding the procedure to handle approval of that part of the bulkhead line which was acceptable. The Trustees urged that the applicant give consideration to removing that portion of the existing fill of the old causeway outside of the proposed bulkhead line.

Bill Wightman and Clarence Knecht, on behalf of the applicant, explained that the purpose of the application was to provide a breakwater, mooring and boat basin facilities for boating activities, and that only a small amount of fill material could be used. They stated that the City of Clearwater was in favor of the proposed boat basin development.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line requested by Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., to that point where it connects with the land mass of the old causeway fill, subject to the City of Clearwater adopting a resolution approving the line, and that sale be approved subject to applicant offering the appraised price to be fixed on the land.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

PINELLAS COUNTY: Request was made for approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958, on behalf of Vanjim, Inc., Arthur, Inc., and Waterways Development Corporation between 46th Avenue South and 54th Avenue South in Sections 3 and 4, Township 32 South, Range 16 East. The Director's recommendation was for rejection because of the excessive off-set of the line from the natural shore line in Boca Ciega Bay.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees deny the application for establishment of the bulkhead line for the reasons indicated.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 314-44-253.12 - The District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, on behalf of the United States of America, requested conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 17 and 18, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Cudjoe Key, to be used in connection with the Air



Force Missile Program. The Director recommended waiving of the regular application fee and requesting the applicant to pay only the invoice cost of advertising the parcel for objections only.

Motion was made and adopted that the regular application fee be waived, the land be advertised for objections only, and that the applicant be requested to pay the invoice cost of advertising.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 298-13-253.12 - Mary B. Laws and William B. Brickell, Jr., upland owners, represented by Edward N. Claughton, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$7,065.00 per acre for purchase of 0.552 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in the Hagan Donation, Section 7, Township 54 South, Range 42 East, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the land applied for advertised for objections only.

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MISCELLANEOUS

PALM BEACH COUNTY: Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin and adopted that the minutes of November 25, 1958, be corrected by changing "disclaimer" to "deed" in request by Blank and Born, and Blakeslee, Herring and Bie, involving 78.5 acres in Lake Worth at Manalapan, since Section 253.0013(2) under which this request was settled required deed rather than disclaimer.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer for further information the application of Walter N. Todd, Jr., submitted by Richard Earle, attorney, for formal approval of Permit No. DF86 as approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for dredging and filling in Section 1, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, in the mouth of Long Bayou, Pinellas County.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 213-52-253.12 - The Director requested that date be fixed for a hearing on the application of Paul F. Randolph, represented by H. H. Baskins, for a tract of 172.65 acres of submerged land adjacent to and in the vicinity of Moonshine Island, in St. Joseph's Sound in Sections 32 and 33 of Township 28 South, Range 15 East, and in Sections 4 and 5 of Township 29 South, Range 15 East. On January 13th dates for hearing this and the City of Dunedin application were discussed, and while the areas involved were in the same vicinity, separate dates for considering the two appeared to be desirable.

The Trustees asked the Director to arrange a suitable date for consideration of the Randolph fill.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 135-52-253.12 - Adrian Bacon requested date set for final consideration of the application of Venetian Isles Development Corporation, for bulkhead line and sale which was taken under advisement by the Trustees at the October 21, 1958 meeting, with no further hearings to be had.

The Trustees requested the Director to place the Venetian Isles application on the agenda for the next meeting.

SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12 - This date was set for hearing applicant and objectors in the case of Ben F. Cochran's request for conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in the City of Sarasota, Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East. Upon request for deferment of the hearing, the Trustees referred to the Director the scheduling of date for consideration of the application.

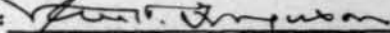
Upon motion of Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase of three steno-chairs requested for the Trustees' office, at the approximate cost of \$70.00 each.

#### MURPHY ACT SUBJECTS

Motion was made and adopted to approve Report No. 710 listing 1 bid for purchase of Murphy Act land and Hillsborough County Deed No. 4857-Suppl.-Cor., issuance of which was approved by the Attorney General's office.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR      CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 27, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 283-44-253.12 - On December 9, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$240.00 per acre from Little Conch Key Investment Corporation, the upland owner, represented by Walter S. C. Rogers, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, easterly of Little Conch Key, being a part of Section 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, containing 26.0 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed by J. Paul Walker and wife on the grounds that the notice does not clearly show the proposed development of the land, and it was felt that the filling would create stagnant water pockets injurious to their property.

The Director recommended that action be deferred until applicants present a plan to satisfactorily take care of the water situation in connection with the proposed causeway.

Motion was made and adopted that recommendation of the Director be accepted, and consideration of the proposed sale be deferred.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 284-44-253.12 - On December 9, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Herman J. Bode and wife, upland owners, for the purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, southeasterly of and adjacent to part of Government Lot 2, Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key, containing 2.1 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication filed with the Trustees. No objections were filed to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale to the applicant, at the price offered.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 132-48-253.36. On December 9, 1958 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Fred D. Gregory, the abutting upland owner, for the purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Apopka in Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, containing 0.42 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Sentinel-Star, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale to the applicant, at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 275-31-253.12 - George A. Fry, upland owner, represented by Smith, Diamond and Heath, offered the appraised price of \$318.50 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 21, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, containing 2.7 acres within the county-wide bulkhead line established by Indian River County.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.

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LAKE COUNTY: For Competitive Bids. Mrs. Viola B. MacLeod offered \$10.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of land in Government Lot 6 in Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, containing 525.7 acres in the St. Johns River Swamp which was reported to be all wet swamp accessible only by water and probably of value as a conservation area. Applicant proposed to use the land for home and farm, however suitability for such use appeared doubtful.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be denied, and that the land be withdrawn from sale.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 317-44-253.12 - Bryan Hanks and wife, upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.03 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 318-44-253.12 - Bryan Hanks and wife, upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 0.33 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 119-48-253.36. - E. M. Tanner, upland owner, represented by J. B. Rodgers, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 1.54 acres, more or less, of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Apopka in Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 27 East.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 296-50-253.12 - Paul Robinson, upland owner, represented by K. C. Mock and Associates, offered the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre for 1.03 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Lake Worth, at Boynton Beach, Florida, in Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement of the land for objections only.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES; PERMITS

BROWARD COUNTY: The Trustees deferred for further information and additional map the request for formal approval of the bulkhead line fixed by City of Ft. Lauderdale offshore, in the North Fork, New River, from a parcel of upland in Government Lot 7, Section 4, Township 50 South, Range 42 East, as established by City Ordinance No. C-1508 adopted on January 6, 1959.

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COLLIER COUNTY: The Trustees deferred for further information and maps the request for formal approval of bulkhead line in Naples Bay in Section 15, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, fixed by the City of Naples on December 10, 1958, by City Resolution No. 724.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Bay Pines Builders, Inc., represented by Skelton & Willis, attorneys, requested approval by the Trustees of bulkhead line and Fill Permit No. BDF79, both of which were approved by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958. Applicants planned a marina development in the area adjacent to their ownership in Sections 3 and 4, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, southwest of Duhme Road, in Boca Ciega Bay.

The Trustees deferred action, pending receipt of further information.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 101-52-253.12 - Walter N. Todd, Jr., upland owner represented by Richard Earle, attorney, requested approval of Permit No. DF86 as approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority January 13, 1959, for dredging and filling in the mouth of Long Bayou in Section 1, Township 31 South, Range 15 East.

On January 20th the Trustees had asked for information as to the upland ownership, and the Director advised that sale of the upland was authorized by the Trustees on May 27, 1958 at \$500.00 per acre. The area under consideration was within the established bulkhead line, and was planned to fit in with an over-all plan for Cross Bayou.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and Comptroller Green stated that he was familiar with the general area. In view of its location with relation to Boca Ciega Bay, it was suggested that applicant be requested to submit an aerial photo, if available, and further information.

Governor Collins suggested that the Board adopt a rule that in the discretion of the Director, aerial photos be requested where areas of any magnitude or commercial developments are involved, in order to show the relationship of the proposed development with the surrounding area.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Todd's application be deferred pending receipt of aerial photo and more information on development plans.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 135-52-253.12 - On October 21, 1958, the Trustees closed hearings and took under advisement the application of Venetian Isles Development Corporation, represented by Adrian Bacon, for approval of bulkhead line fixed July 24, 1958 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and of application to purchase approximately 166 acres of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 34, Township 30 South, Range 17 East, and Section 3, Township 31 South, Range 17 East adjacent to applicant's upland, for which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre. An island-type of development of both the upland and sovereignty area was proposed, creating 41.91 acres of navigable water within the upland tract and approximately 58 acres of navigable water in the shallow sovereignty tract, islands to be connected by bridges with 39-foot openings.

Careful consideration was given to maps and aerial photos showing low tide exposure of the sovereignty bottom land and the formations referred to as an "emergent shore".

In addition to protests previously filed, attention was called to an objection from Manatee County Conservation Alliance, Inc. In opposition to the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Authority and the fill proposed by the applicants, numerous telegrams had been received by the Governor from residents in the vicinity of the proposed development, one signed by a group stating they were residents within 1,000 feet of the Venetian Isles site.

Comptroller Green expressed a willingness to approve the plan if modified by a cut-back.

Attorney General Ervin proposed a motion for postponement of action until after the approaching session of the Legislature, as he understood enactment of a law would be sought to dedicate to the use of the general public certain submerged areas in Pinellas County waterways.

Treasurer Larson felt that a well-planned development could be of advantage to the state, and a cut-back might make this one acceptable, but all members of the board felt that undesirable fills necessitated exercising caution, especially when much local objection had been expressed.

Governor Collins stated that while his first reaction was against filling, he tried to consider applications on their merits, in view of decision by the local authorities. He thought Venetian Isles applicants had made a good showing that no great injury would be done to the public interest, however there seemed to be an overwhelming public opinion against the fill, and he felt that

the Trustees should deny the application in its present form, leaving it to the applicant or the county authority to make any new application.

Several suggested motions were offered and considered, resulting in the following:

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Comptroller Green and adopted, that the application be denied without prejudice with the suggestion that applicants submit an amended application affecting this same area.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

MONROE COUNTY: Request was made by Bruce Vining, on behalf of clients, that the Trustees reconsider their action of February 13, 1957 withdrawing from sale mangrove and other sovereignty areas easterly of the Overseas Highway in Barnes Sound between Manatee Bay and Lake Surprise. The area was inspected by the Bureau of Land Management in 1956, which advised that the United States did not claim any of the zone, and Mr. Vining's clients seek to acquire by public auction 350 acres for filling and development which would be of economic value and beauty to Monroe County.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that the withdrawal order be vacated as to a sovereignty tract at or within one mile of Division Point, and applications for purchase be accepted, the Trustees to require filling plan submitted for approval before any dredging and filling would be done.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be submitted to the State Road Department and the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials for affirmative recommendation before accepting applications for purchase and development.

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Governor Collins brought up for discussion the subject of those areas in Florida under lease or dedication to the Audubon Society for bird sanctuaries and allied purposes. It was suggested that the State Board of Parks and Historic Memorials might be in a better position to deal with the Audubon Society in the premises, and the Trustees should transfer supervision of these areas of land that are now used by the Society to the Park Board. The matter was taken under advisement.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Max J. Stark made application to dredge in Lake Osborne to fill and otherwise improve a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land purchased from the Trustees in July of 1957, in Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, Palm Beach County.

The Director recommended permission be granted without charge, subject to approval by the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be approved.

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BREVARD COUNTY: File Nos. 138, 139, 140, 141-05-253.12. - The Director requested advice as to whether February 3rd would be a convenient date for final disposition of the following four (4) applications for purchase of submerged tracts in the City of Titusville within the established bulkhead line which had been deferred from the meeting of November 25, 1958:



(1) File 138-05-253.12. Poe Investments, Inc., upland owner, offered appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 3.1 acres of submerged land in Indian River in Section 3-22-35, and the Trustees on November 25, 1958 deferred decision pending further study of the Director's report and protests filed by Mrs. Florence Robbins and her son, Theodore Robbins.

(2) File No. 139-05-253.12. Rudolph Nelson, abutting upland owner, offered appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 3.01 acres of submerged land in Indian River in Section 3-22-35, and the Trustees on January 13, 1959 deferred action on the sale. Protests were on file from Mrs. Robbins and son.

(3) File 140-05-253.12. C. R. McCotter and Bernice R. McCotter, abutting upland owners, offered appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 1.9 acres of submerged land in Indian River in Section 3-22-35, and on November 25, 1958 the Trustees postponed action pending study of report and protests which had been filed by Mrs. Robbins and son.

(4) File 141-05-253.12. The City of Titusville requested perpetual dedication, for public street purposes, of submerged land lying in Section 3-22-35 for extensions of Orange, Broad and Main Streets to relieve traffic connection to the causeway of State Road 402. Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Grace Scobie protested the dedication to the city, and on November 25, 1958 the Trustees requested the Director to prepare a report on the subject. The report was prepared and copy furnished each member.

Mr. Ferguson called attention of the Trustees to the dedication and sales and the Trustees, having carefully considered the report and the representations made by the applicants, and thoroughly sympathetic consideration having been given to the position of the protestants, they were of the opinion that decision could be reached at this time without further hearings. It was the decision of the Board that the applications be granted, with authority in Mr. Ferguson to work out road right of way to be reserved for connecting streets. The Trustees also stated that other owners in this vicinity would be given the same consideration for purchasing the submerged land riparian to their property, within the bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the objections be overruled and the Trustees approve sales of the parcels applied for by Poe Investments, Inc., R. Nelson, C. R. McCotter and Bernice R. McCotter, at the prices offered, and perpetual dedication be granted to the City of Titusville for public street purposes of the street extensions of Orange, Board, and Main Streets, out to the established bulkhead line in the Indian River, reserving all of that part of the former state road right of way lying northerly of the parcel applied for by Poe Investments, Inc.

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DADE COUNTY: George Stamos requested deed covering the south 100 feet of a tract of 26.6 acres of submerged land in Section 29, Township 56 South, Range 42 East, which was sold to Edward S. Christensen by Contract No. 21307 dated July 11, 1956. It was reported that the 100-foot strip is adjacent to lands of Mr. Stamos, the Christensen contract is in good standing, more than one-half of the amount due for the 26 acre parcel having been paid, and Mr. Christensen had agreed to assign his right to purchase the 100 foot strip to Mr. Stamos.

The Director recommended that deed to the 100-foot strip be issued to the original grantee under his contract, subject to acceptance of the parties involved.

Motion was made and adopted that deed be approved in favor of Mr. Stamos as recommended by the Director.

Treasurer J. Edwin Larson, as a member of the building committee of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions (composed of Attorney General Ervin, Comptroller Green and himself), brought up a matter of allocation of space in the capitol building, specifically in the north wing. The question had come up as to the best use to be made of various offices to be vacated when part of Mr. Larson's office will move to the new wing of the Carlton Building. The Trustees were requested to employ an architect to plan certain remodeling work which was recommended to be done by the building committee.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Terry Lee and Mr. Robert H. Brown be authorized to investigate the matter and report back to the Board, and that the Trustees agree to pay the cost of employing an architect to draw up the plans.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase of one steel form cabinet at a cost of \$42.25 and a small step-stool at a cost of \$5.00, for use in the Trustees' Office.

SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted to approve Report No. 711 listing three (3) bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

COLUMBIA COUNTY: W. H. Wilson, Jr., and Maxine Wilson offered \$5.00 per acre, or a total of \$200.00, for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act" of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 19, Township 3 South, Range 16 East, 40 acres. Information was that applicants were heirs of former owner, and the land was under fence and taxes were levied, and paid by applicants since 1932.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance be authorized as requested, at the price offered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
February 3, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. The Trustees, on December 23, 1958, deferred action on application from Ben F. Cochran, upland owner, for 2.78 acres of submerged land in Sarasota Bay within the bulkhead line established by the zoning officer of the City of Sarasota prior to June 11, 1957, and hearing was postponed until this date.

Objections were reported from Frank J. Janda on the grounds that filling will hamper tidal flow and injure wildlife, Karl A. Bickel who was opposed to grants of submerged land to private persons in areas which would have value to the public in the future, and C. L. Carter, Jr., who claimed waterways and fishing would be damaged.

John F. Burket, Jr., on behalf of David Lawrence, objected on the grounds that filling would create an undesirable pocket, damage the view from his property, damage wildlife by further "nibbling" away of submerged areas, and he thought the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Sarasota was a bad bulkhead projecting out to accommodate only one owner. He questioned whether competitive bids should have been allowed, rather than just objections only, and Mr. Ferguson explained that the area was considered riparian to the upland as the water was not of navigable depth.

J. Velma Keen, on behalf of Mr. Cochran, indicated on maps the area owned by his client, conveyed by Trustees' Deeds 18652 (1941) and 19160 (1946), which he was trying to square out by purchasing the 2.78 acres before going forward with development plans for a deep water approach and boat basin, with fill between the basin and bulkhead line, south of the City of Sarasota's Municipal Center.

Attorney General Ervin felt that this improvement created an irregular-shaped promontory awkward to the shore line, the type that the Trustees were reluctant to grant, and the bulkhead line did not fit in with the ideas of a continuous line and trying to provide for minor adjustments along the shore line.

John C. Pinkerton, for the applicant, displayed a map showing improvements and another causeway planned by the city for the future, and stated that his client had agreed to dedicate part of his ownership to the city. The Governor requested that a letter be secured from the city regarding their plans to show how the Cochran bulkhead line and fill would fit in.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be taken under advisement until a letter was secured from the City of Sarasota furnishing information on plans for improvements and a new causeway.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE AND LAND SALE

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 288-52-253.12. Horace Hamlin, Jr., represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, offered \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in "The Narrows" in Sections 12 and 13, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, appraised at \$350.00 per acre, within bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on December 11, 1958. On the same date, the Authority approved Mr. Hamlin's purchase application, and advertised same for hearing before the Trustees on January 20th, notice not received in Trustees' Office until January 29th. No objections were filed at the hearing in Pinellas County.

The Director recommended that action on the requested bulkhead line and sale be deferred until applicant submits aerial photographs of the area. It was so ordered.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES, APPLICATIONS, PERMITS

COLLIER COUNTY: The City of Naples adopted Resolution No. 724 on December 10, 1958 establishing a bulkhead line for an area



in Naples Bay in Section 15, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, and the Trustees on January 27th deferred action on request for approval of said bulkhead line until receipt of an aerial photo. The Trustees had asked the city to set a continuous extensive line, but letter from the city manager stated that while the city was anxious for bulkhead lines which would protect navigation, prevent flooding of low areas in time of storm and add to the beauty of the city, the expense involved in setting out lines in the dense mangrove swamps in that area made it desirable to proceed by establishing bulkhead lines worked out by developers for their particular parcels of land.

The Trustees examined the aerial photograph, and suggestion was made that the city be requested to cut back the line and furnish the continuous line desired for the area.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred, and the Director was asked to inform the City of Naples of the Trustees' feelings in the matter.

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DADE COUNTY: The Director presented bulkhead lines established by the County Commissioners of Dade County pursuant to Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, as shown on Sheets 37 and 38, with explanation that Sheet 38 was recommended for approval, being a conservative line to straighten out the shoreline irregularities, and that Sheet 37 was recommended for approval as to that part of the line shown lying northerly of 123rd Street, N.E.

Motion was made and adopted that formal approval be given to the Dade County bulkhead lines on Sheet 38 and that part of Sheet 37 as recommended.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 302-36-253.12. John E. Price, represented by Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt, offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, containing 169.90 acres, within the bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County by Resolution adopted on November 19, 1958. Formal approval by the Trustees of said bulkhead line was requested.

Mr. Ferguson pointed out on an aerial map the bulkhead line and parcel applied for by Mr. Price, and the Trustees expressed concern regarding the lack of information on the over-all line for that area.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred, and further information be requested from Lee County as to bulkhead lines for extensive areas to tie in with the proposed sale.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 321-41-253.12. John E. Holmes, et al, represented by James A. Howze, offered \$175.00 per acre, the appraised price, for a parcel of 10.8 acres of submerged land adjacent to upland ownership in Tampa Bay (Sarasota Bay) in Sections 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Holmes Beach, within the established bulkhead line of the Town of Holmes Beach.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only, based on offer submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 175-50-253.12. John Norberg, upland owner, represented by John Adair, Jr., and Associates, offered the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre for 0.57 of an acre of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 15, Township 45 South,

Range 43 East, within the bulkhead line established by the Town of Boynton Beach by Ordinance #289 dated November 19, 1956.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only, based on offer submitted.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Bay Pines Builders, Inc., represented by L. C. Kellogg, president, requested formal approval of bulkhead line and Permit No. BDF79 for filling, both of which were approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958, and deferred by the Trustees at the last meeting. The application involved lands conveyed in 1926 to Duhme, and in the vicinity of lands owned by Zamuck for which dredging and fill permit have been granted. The Trustees felt that all applications in the Zamuck area should be scrutinized carefully, and no excessive extensions be allowed.

Mr. Kellogg gave information about the history of conveyances in the area, developments completed by his company, and those contemplated by him, including the large marina for the subject area, and the Trustees examined the maps and aerial photos submitted. The Governor asked him to convey back to the state all the submerged land, title to which is vested in him, beyond the bulkhead line. Mr. Ferguson suggested the area might be dedicated to the public.

Motion was made and adopted that the bulkhead line and fill permit be approved, Mr. Kellogg agreeing to convey back to the state all that area of his ownership lying beyond the bulkhead line, with description to be prepared by the Trustees' engineer.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 101-52-253.12. The Trustees considered application of Walter N. Todd, Jr., upland owner, for approval of Fill Permit No. DF86 issued by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on January 13, 1959, involving an area within the bulkhead line acquired from the Trustees by sale authorized May 27, 1958. The development for motel or similar use conformed to the county's bulkhead line from Parque Narvaez northerly to the upper reaches of Cross Bayou, would be in line with the completed Parque Narvaez and separated by a 90-foot channel to accommodate natural upland drainage.

Maps and aerial photo were studied, and information was given that the bulkhead line did fit in with State Road Department plans for a bridge in the vicinity.

Action was deferred, and the Trustees requested the Director to secure information regarding plans of the State Road Department and other owners in the area.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 139-05-253.12. Rudolph Nelson applied for disclaimer under provisions of Section 253.129, Florida Statutes, 1957, to a parcel of land filled in 1946 in Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, City of Titusville, containing 0.8 of an acre.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer in favor of Mr. Nelson, for \$10.00 charge.

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BROWARD AND ST. LUCIE COUNTIES: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested perpetual dedication for right of way purposes, as follows:

1. For Canal C-14 - Over that part of Cypress Creek and Lettuce Lake in the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 6, Township 49 South, Range 43 East, Broward County;
2. For Canal C-23A - Over that part of the North Fork of the St. Lucie River lying within the project right of way in Sections 15, 22 and 23, Township 37 South, Range 40 East, St. Lucie County;

the improvement of said canals being a vital part of the works of said district.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized perpetual dedication as requested.

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**COLLIER COUNTY:** The Director recommended issuance of State Permit to the City of Naples for installation of groin to prevent further loss of bathing beach by erosion, approximately 200 feet southerly from the north line of Government Lot 3 in Section 21, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, in accordance with and subject to recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and that the requirement of bond by the city be waived.

The Trustees, without objection, accepted recommendation of the Director and authorized issuance of groin permit for the regular charge of \$10.00, waiving bond.

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**COLLIER, DADE AND MONROE COUNTIES:** On January 13, 1959, the Trustees authorized exchange of three sections in Township 56, Range 37, Dade County (which township would be conveyed by the United States to the Trustees in exchange for conveyance of all state lands within the final boundary of the Everglades National Park as fixed by Public Law 85-482) with the State Board of Education for School Section 16, Township 53, Range 29, Section 16, Township 53, Range 30, Collier County, and Section 16, Township 56, Range 31, Monroe County. The National Park Service requested deed for only a north-west extension area but the Trustees, by Resolution of March 26, 1957, were obligated to convey all state lands within the final boundary, which would include School Section 16, Township 59 South, Range 37 East, Dade County, and Section 16, Township 54 South, Range 30 East, Monroe County. To provide for conveyance of the latter two school sections, amendment was requested of the State Board of Education at its meeting on February 3rd to authorize addition of said two sections to the three school sections authorized January 13th for exchange, making five school sections to be exchanged with the Trustees for conveyance of the five sections of Trustees' lands in Township 56, Range 37 Dade County, subject to no reservations.

Without objection, action of the Trustees taken on January 13th was amended to provide for the exchange of Sections 16, 15, 21, 22 and 23, in Township 56 South, Range 37 East, Dade County (Trustees' lands), to be made with the Board of Education for School Section 16, Township 53 South, Range 29 East, Section 16, Township 53 South, Range 30 East, Collier County; Section 16, Township 54 South, Range 30 East, and Section 16, Township 56 South, Range 31 East, Monroe County, and Section 16, Township 59 South, Range 37 East, Dade County, and that the Trustees' conveyance to the Board of Education be made without reservations.

Attorney General Ervin stated that the Trustees are not obligated to make any further conveyances for Everglades National Park.

Governor Collins requested that the Collier interests be contacted on the subject of leaving title in the Trustees of those lands which were held in trust for the Park, but which were not within the final boundary.



HERNANDO AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: The Florida Board of Forestry requested approval and concurrence in

- (a) "Mutual Mines Log Scale" sale of timber on approximately 2,000 acres in Withlacoochee State Forest, Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 23, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, Hernando County; and
- (b) "Bass Bridge Sawtimber-Pulpwood Sale", 580 acres in Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, in Blackwater River State Forest, Santa Rosa County.

Conditions of offering for bids had been examined and sale was being advertised.

Motion was made and adopted that Trustees approve and concur in the two sales as requested by the Florida Board of Forestry.

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MARTIN COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks & Historic Memorials, represented by its Director, Emmet Hill, asked the Trustees' concurrence in deed to John G. Hoyt, Jr., and Lettie Hoyt, conveying a strip of land 180 feet wide lying north of and adjacent to the south line of Section 17, Township 40 South, Range 42 East, in exchange for a deed from the Hoyts to the State of Florida for the use and benefit of the Park Board conveying North 2,472 feet of East 313.1 feet of the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 18, Township 40 South, Range 42 East, each parcel containing 17.75 acres. The sale was duly advertised, no objections were received, and the exchange was approved by State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District.

Without objection, the Trustees approved and concurred under Section 589.10 Florida Statutes, in the proposed exchange, subject to proof of the Hoyt title being found legally clear by the Attorney General.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: File No. 319-49-253.36. On behalf of G. J. George, et al, owners of certain tracts or lots according to the New Plat of Narcoossee, a subdivision of, among other lands, Fractional Sections 5 and 6 of Township 25 South, Range 31 East, said fractional sections having been conveyed by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund to Hamilton Disston in 1881 as swamp and overflowed lands, Mr. Henry Hess made application for a disclaimer to these tracts or lots and that area lying between the platted lakeward limits of the New Map of Narcoossee and the 57-foot elevation contour of Lake East Tohopekaliga.

The Government Meander along the lakeward boundary of these two fractional sections lies a considerable distance lakeward of the original high water mark of 1845 (approximately the 63.4 ft. elevation contour) and even lakeward of the 57 ft. elevation contour, said 57 ft. contour being the lakeward limits of the reclaimed lake bottom sales now authorized by the Trustees in accordance with Resolution No. 375 of the Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District as approved by the Trustees on January 6, 1959. Therefore, all lands requested to be disclaimed lie within the area conveyed as Fractional Sections 5 and 6.

The applicant offered \$2,987.50 for the disclaimer, which amount was computed at the rate of \$25.00 per acre multiplied by the 119.5 acre difference between the total acreage of the area to be included in the disclaimer and the 435 acres previously assessed for taxes.

The Director recommended disclaimer, as he and Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, felt that the state could not properly assert claim to any of the land in the above described fractional sections.

W. Turner Wallis explained that his clients, the applicants, must eliminate any adverse claim in the land in order to use the property for residential purposes, for which it was purchased.

Without objection, motion was made and adopted that disclaimer be authorized for the price offered - \$2,987.50.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Florida Power Corporation, holder of Deed No. 21268 dated July 5, 1956, requested disclaimer or release of those conditions set forth in deed which specifically authorized filling and that in event of overfill the title should revert to the Trustees. Applicant furnished detailed survey showing limits of actual fill, which complied strictly with the covenants and conditions imposed by the Trustees, and the Director recommended disclaimer to clear the record title of the said conditions. Pinellas County land.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as recommended by the Director, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Without objection, the Trustees authorized granting to the State Road Department of a temporary easement for dredging purposes covering a 4.02 acre tract of submerged land in the Matanzas River lying east of Bay Street in the City of St. Augustine in Township 7 South, Range 30 East, easement to terminate 40 months from the date of execution. It was explained that the material was to be used for construction of State Road ALA Section 7801-114.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees reject proposal of Dick Lee on behalf of Frank DeGrasse to lease submerged area 100 feet by 100 feet in Sarasota Bay, adjacent to the new Ringling Causeway at the end of new bridge, for the purpose of mooring boats and selling bait to fishermen on the bridge.

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Motion was made and adopted that the following resolution be adopted by the Trustees to certify state owned lands for assessment of taxes of Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District:

#### R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida that pursuant to Section 30 of Chapter 25209, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1949, being Section 378.30 Florida Statutes, 1957, the said Trustees hereby certify to the Tax Assessor of each county having land within Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District a list of lands held by said Trustees in said county, which lie within said Flood Control District, for the assessment thereon of said Flood Control District taxes.

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Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Comptroller be authorized to issue warrant in the amount of \$623.10 payable to the Commodity Stabilization Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, for payment in advance for air photo enlargements of the coast line of Volusia, Brevard, Indian River and Martin Counties, and air photo index for St. Lucie and Manatee Counties, all being 1958 photography, for use in the Trustees' Office.

SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 712 listing 2 bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and approve issuance of Dade County Corrective Quitclaim Deed to Johnson Homes Corporation, and Hillsborough County Deed No. 576-Duplicate, to George H. Wilder, both of said deeds having been approved by the Attorney General's Office.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY: Morris Hall, Jr., the former owner on June 9, 1939, offered \$10.00 per acre, regular minimum base bid, for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act" of 2 acres of land in the southwest corner of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 25, Township 1 North, Range 3 East. Application showed compliance with the law, and that applicant had been owner since 1926.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized conveyance under the Hardship Act, as recommended by the Director, for the price offered by the applicant.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY: Walter L. Taylor and Fitz-William B. Taylor offered 50 cents (50¢) per acre, or a total of \$520.00, for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of 12 parcels comprising a total of 1,040 acres in Sections 24 and 25, Township 1 North, Range 3 East, and in Sections 18 and 19, Township 1 North, Range 4 East. Application showed Walter L. Taylor as a Trustee, and Fitz-William B. Taylor as a successor co-trustee, on June 9, 1939, under Trust Deed dated August 20, 1918. The records showed the 1932 base bid of \$3,000.00 for the land.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance be authorized under Chapter 28317, subject to applicants offering not less than \$5.00 per acre.

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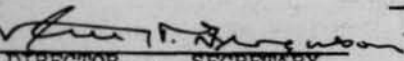
ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Annie Skinner, heir of former owner on June 9, 1939, offered \$100.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of Lot 5, Block "A", White City Subdivision.

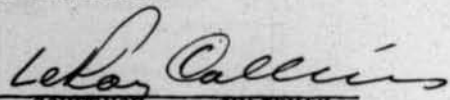
Motion was made and adopted that conveyance under the Hardship Act to Annie Skinner be authorized at the price offered, which was the regular base bid.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
February 17, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present: Ray E. Green                      Comptroller  
J. Edwin Larson                      Treasurer  
Richard W. Ervin                      Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meetings of January 13, 20 and February 3, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

**BROWARD COUNTY:** Competitive bids. On December 30, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre from Shao-Fen Chin for Tracts 111 and 112, Florida Fruit Lands Subdivision No. 1, Plat Book 2, Page 17, lying and being in Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, containing 10 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Fort Lauderdale Daily News, and proof of publication was filed in the Land Office.

Bids were filed from Max I. Herschberg and Vincent Brocato, the latter offering highest bid of \$600.00 per acre. A quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, February 10th, bids were receive and held till this date for action.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the highest bid offered, \$600.00 per acre from Vincent Brocato, and confirm sale in his favor.

**COLLIER AND HENDRY COUNTIES:** Oil Lease. Upon application by Humble Oil and Refining Company, the Trustees on December 23, 1958, authorized advertising oil and gas lease for competitive sealed bids, covering 5,800 acres, more or less, described as follows:

**In Collier County,**

**Owned in Fee simple -**

All of unsurveyed Section 2, Township 47 South, Range 28 East, comprising land and/or beds and other bottoms of Lake Trafford;

**Trustees reserved interest in -**

All of Section 35, W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 25, in Township 48 South, Range 30 East;

Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 46 South, Range 29 East;

Lots 3, 4, (N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 4, Township 47 South, Range 29 East;

**In Hendry County,**

**Trustees reserved interest in -**

All Section 33, in Township 45 South, Range 32 East;

All Sections 1, 3, 11, in Township 46 South, Range 31 East;

All Sections 3, 9, 11, and E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, in Township 46 South, Range 32 East.

The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Collier County News, the Hendry County News, and the Tallahassee Democrat, with proof of publication filed in the Land Office, and bid of \$5,106.20 as cash consideration was received from Humble Oil and Refining Company on the sale date, February 10th. A quorum not being present on that date, bid was received and held till this date for action.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$5,106.20 cash consideration from Humble Oil and Refining Company and authorize issuance of lease in the usual form requiring royalty payments of one-eighth in kind or in value, plus fifty cents per acre annual rental increasing 5% of such original amount annually after the first two years, and lease shall be for a primary term of 10 years.

WALTON COUNTY: Competitive bids. On December 16, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of \$20.00 per acre, which was in excess of appraised price, from William Ehrenpreis for the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 17 West, containing 79.94 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the DeFuniak Springs Breeze, and proof of publication was filed in the Land Office.

On the advertised sale date, February 10th, there was competitive bidding, and applicant raised his offer to \$35.00 per acre, the highest bid. A quorum was not present on that date, and bids were received and held till this date for action.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the highest bid offered, \$35.00 per acre from William Ehrenpreis, and confirm sale in his favor.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 260-31-253.12. On December 23, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the compromise price of \$200.00 per acre from Riomar Corporation, abutting owner, represented by Sherman Smith, Jr., for a tract of submerged land in the Indian River in Sections 5 and 6, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, Vero Beach, lying westerly of and abutting Government Lots 2, 3 and 6 of said Section 5, containing 85.0 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Vero Beach Press-Journal, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

No objections were filed or presented on advertised sale date, February 10th, and a quorum not being present, confirmation of sale was requested on this date.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Riomar Corporation, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 186-44-253.12. Application by Charles D. Dean and Gaines C. Dean, abutting owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a 0.76 acre parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, was submitted to the Trustees in meeting of August 19, 1958, for confirmation of sale, after advertising, but action was deferred in order that interested parties could work out certain objections of O. B. Sabin, who did not object to the offshore limit but felt that sale would depreciate his lot. He also questioned the direction of the extension, which the staff considered entirely equitable and which conformed to the direction of a former sale 200 feet north of the Sabin property. Information was that the applicant planned to construct a protected boat basin, and photographs were submitted to show degeneration of former beach.

The Director recommended that objections be overruled, and sale confirmed.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the objections be overruled and sale confirmed to the applicants at the price offered, \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 219-44-253.12. Application by Alban E. Heid, upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Rock Harbor in Section 5, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 3.50 acres, was submitted to the Trustees in meeting of October 14, 1958 for confirmation of sale, after advertising, but action was deferred in order that interested parties could work out certain objections of John Liggio, who contended that a pocket

would form by extension 400 feet offshore. The extension did not exceed 170 feet at right angles to shore, other owners in the immediate area have filed signed approval of applicant's plan, and the objector and other owners have the right to apply to purchase within the plan for the zone. The Director recommended that objections be overruled.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the objections be overruled and sale confirmed to the applicant at the price offered, \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 173-44-253.12. Application by C. H. Hecker, Jr., abutting owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.83 of an acre, more or less, was submitted to the Trustees in meeting of August 12, 1958 for confirmation of sale, after advertising, but action was deferred in order that interested parties could work out certain objections.

The staff, in coordination with Mr. Crawshaw, worked out an area "bulkhead line", or a line beyond which no sales of submerged land would be recommended, said line being approximately 200 feet offshore from the bayward boundaries of the subdivided and developed uplands in the area. The line had been accepted by the majority of the owners of the lots, including H. D. Smith, the grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 21609 dated August 1, 1957, which deed conveyed a parcel of submerged land containing 0.5 of an acre. Mr. Smith conveyed back to the Trustees said 0.5 acre parcel in exchange for another deed covering the identical area but realigned northwesterly so as not to infringe on his neighbor's rights and to be in complete accord with the over-all layout.

The Director recommended issuance of deed to H. D. Smith and wife, Betty G. Smith, the overruling of objections, and that sale to C. H. Hecker, Jr. be approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of deed to H. D. Smith and wife, and that objections be overruled and sale confirmed to C. H. Hecker, Jr. covering the land applied for at the price offered, \$300.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 183-44-253.12. Offer of \$200.00 per acre, appraised price, from Carl Schaffer, abutting owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.65 of an acre, was submitted to the Trustees at meeting of August 19, 1958 for confirmation of sale after advertising, but objections were filed by D. & C. Co., Inc., and action was deferred. All objections have been withdrawn and the Director recommended confirmation of the sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Carl Schaffer at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

BROWARD COUNTY: Donald A. Scios offered \$250.00 per acre, the appraised price, for either Tract 80 or 79, in Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, containing 5 acres each, located south of Twenty-Mile Bend, west of U. S. Highway 27 and South New River Canal, east of Levee L-37. The applicant proposed to use the land as a campsite and summer camp for children.



Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the land be advertised for competitive bids, based on the offer submitted of \$250.00 per acre.

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HOLMES COUNTY: Major Warren V. Lawson offered \$10.00 per acre, the appraised price, for purchase of Government Lot 1 in Section 19, Township 5 North, Range 16 West, containing 40 acres, to be used for agricultural purposes. Information was that the parcel was part of a swampy island in the Choctawhatchee River, about four miles north of Westville, one mile east of State Road 178-A, had little merchantable timber and all or a major part was subject to flooding.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the land be advertised for competitive bids, based on the offer submitted.

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LAKE COUNTY: Silas S. Howard offered \$12.50 per acre for purchase of 73.64 acres of land described as Government Lot 11 in Section 25, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, in the St. Johns River Swamp, for farming purposes. The area was adjacent to a large swamp tract recently withdrawn from sale and did not appear suitable for conventional farming uses, and the Director recommended consideration of the area for possible conservation or other public use.

Motion was made and adopted that the offer be denied and the land be withdrawn from sale until its use for public purposes could be determined.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 308-44-253.12. Raymond M. Maloney, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or in this instance the minimum charge of \$100.00, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 223-36-253.12. Formal approval by the Trustees was requested for the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County in meeting August 20, 1958 in front of and abutting a parcel of upland on the north side of the Caloosahatchee River in Section 23, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, Lee County, owned by Abraham Zemel and Rena K. Zemel, his wife. Certified copy of Lee County Resolution establishing said bulkhead line was filed with the Trustees.

Also, offer of \$80.00 per acre, the appraised price, was made by Abraham Zemel, abutting upland owner, represented by Henderson, Franklin, Starnes and Holt, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Caloosahatchee River in Sections 23 and 26, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, containing 118.25 acres, more or less, within the said bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County on August 20, 1958, described above, and authorize advertised for objections only the parcel of land applied for by Mr. Zemel.

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## BULKHEAD LINES

DADE COUNTY: Map Sheet 41 showing a bulkhead line submitted by Dade County pursuant to Chapter 57-362, Section 253.122 Florida Statutes 1957, was presented to the Trustees for consideration, with recommendation by the Director that a segment of the line on Sheet 41 be rejected, the segment being between upland and an offshore bulkhead line fixed for the same zone southerly of Dinner Key at and near McFarlane Road. Recommended for approval was the remainder of bulkhead line shown on Sheet 41, from Harbor Light 94 near southerly corporate limit of Coral Gables northerly to Harbor Light 58 near Fair Isle, Coral Gables, and including bulkhead line for Fair Isle.

Motion was made and adopted that pursuant to recommendation of the Director, a portion of the bulkhead line as shown on Map Sheet 41 submitted by Dade County be approved and that the Trustees reject that segment on Sheet 41 between upland and an offshore bulkhead line fixed for the same zone southerly of Dinner Key at and near McFarlane Road.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Formal approval by the Trustees was requested for the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County in meeting February 6, 1959, said line located in Tampa Bay offshore from Sections 16, 17, 19, 20 and 30, Township 31 South, Range 19 East, as described in certified copy of Amended Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners dated February 6, 1959, filed with the Trustees.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the line tied in with the county plan for a considerable distance. The Attorney General expressed the reluctance of the Board to approve small segments rather than over-all lines, and suggested that consideration be deferred until the Governor could be present.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred on the Hillsborough County bulkhead line presented.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The City of St. Augustine, Florida, requested formal approval by the Trustees of a bulkhead line within the territorial area of said city established by action of the City Commission of St. Augustine in meeting on November 25, 1958, by Resolution No. 1845, certified copy having been filed with the Trustees. Said bulkhead line is described as follows:

Commence at the Southwest corner of Lot 5, Block 44-C of the City of St. Augustine, Florida, according to the Official Map of said City dated June 12, 1923, said point being 400 feet Southerly from the East corner of Tremerton and Hernandez Streets and measured along the East Right-of-Way of Tremerton Street; thence North 81° 30' East 380.0 feet along the South line of said Lot 5 to the Point of Beginning and the South limit of the Bulkhead Line; thence North 20° 00' West 440.0 feet to the intersection with the Northerly Right-of-Way of Hernandez Street projected Easterly, this point being the Northerly limit of said Bulkhead Line.

The bulkhead line extended across part of a tract of submerged land conveyed to David L. Dunham by Trustees I.I. Fund Deed 14053 dated October 7, 1889, prior to statutory authority for submerged land sales. Claimants under the sale of 1889 asked to be advised whether or not sale must be made before the area within the bulkhead line is filled and improved. The Attorney General had reviewed the case and did not consider that the conveyance of 1889 vested title in the grantee.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the bulkhead line tied in with a bulkhead structure already in place, and was submitted with the proper information.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the above described bulkhead line established by the City of St. Augustine be approved, and also, that claimants be advised that purchase under Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, would be necessary.

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DISCLAIMERS, PERMITS, LEASES

COLLIER COUNTY: On behalf of the United States, the U. S. District Engineer made application for the use of approximately 100,000 cubic yards of hydraulic fill material to be taken from Caxambas Pass and the Gulf of Mexico in areas riparian to property under lease from the Collier Interests, material to be used for an Air Force Missile Tracking Station at Marco Island.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that permission be granted to the United States to take the fill material requested at no cost.

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DUVAL COUNTY: W. Gregory Smith, on behalf of North Shore Corporation, applied for a Disclaimer under provisions of Section 253.129, F. S. 1957, to certain lands which were filled prior to May 29, 1951, in Sections 21 and 22, according to plat of State Survey approved in May, 1945, of that portion of Township 1 South, Range 28 East, lying North of the St. Johns River.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of the Disclaimer under Section 253.129 in favor of applicant.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended approval and execution of proposed agreement between the Trustees, the State Board of Conservation, and the Hillsborough County Port Authority where under (1) the Port Authority would release any claims arising out of removal of oyster shell during 1945 to October 1, 1957 from Tampa Bay bottom lands of the Authority as described in Chapter 23338, Acts of 1945; (2) the Port Authority would receive payment for shell taken after October 1, 1957 upon a basis to be agreed upon between the Authority and the Conservation Board, and dividing equally escrow funds held by Bay Dredging Company representing shell removed subsequent to October 1, 1957; and (3) lessees of the Port Authority and Trustees would keep records of shell taken from bottom lands of the Trustees and the Authority and report and remit on same to the Port Authority and the Conservation Board.

The Attorney General had reviewed and approved the agreement for presentation to the Trustees for action.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the said agreement be authorized as recommended by the Director and approved by the Attorney General.

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MONROE COUNTY: Roger Lee, lessee and operator of Jewfish Creek Fishing Camp adjacent to U. S. Highway No. 1, applied for Permit to install and maintain one sign northwest of the Creek on state sovereignty lands. The Trustees, on February 6, 1958, granted permit to Harry Gilbert for 3 signs northwest of his turnout, also northwest of the bridge, and Mr. Gilbert has consented to relinquish his northernmost sign so that Mr. Lee may erect one, if authorized by the Trustees.



The Director's recommendation was that (1) new, revised permit be granted to Mr. Gilbert for signs approximately 200 and 500 yards, respectively, northwest from his entrance, with proportionate revision of the rental, and other provisions and covenants to remain unchanged; and (2) that permit be granted to Mr. Lee to erect and maintain one sign, not to exceed 10 by 4 feet, to be located northwesterly at least 250 yards from the Gilbert turnout, not nearer than 15 feet easterly from the easterly right of way line of State Road No. 5 (U.S. Highway No. 1) with same covenants and provisions of the Gilbert Permit, rental to be proportioned to that paid by Gilbert.

The Director advised that information had just been furnished by the State Road Department that Mr. Lee, without waiting for permission from the Trustees, had erected a much larger sign than would be allowed, and in addition other signs had been put up which were not in compliance with the Florida Outdoor Advertising Law.

Motion was made and adopted that the Director notify Mr. Lee that it will be necessary to remove the signs which he erected without permission, and that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Board, as to (1) and (2) mentioned above, including permission for one sign not to exceed 10 by 4 feet to be erected and maintained by Mr. Lee.

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MONROE COUNTY: Mr. Cody Fowler appeared on behalf of Gulf Oil Corporation and Commonwealth Oil Company, holders of Oil and Gas Leases numbered 826 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,O,P,Q,R,S,T, and U, seeking agreement for suspension of the drilling obligation pending settlement of litigation involving the United States and State concerning the territorial boundary of the State of Florida in the leased areas. The 1957 Legislative Act granting some suspension of obligations for another oil company was cited. Mr. Fowler stated that the agreement was sought solely for suspension of the drilling obligations during the period in which the title to the leased premises was in question and that the holders of the lease would continue payment of rentals during the period. Status of the pending Tidelands case in the U. S. Court was reviewed by the Attorney General. On motion of Treasurer Larson, seconded by Comptroller Green, agreement with Gulf Oil Corporation was authorized to be worked out with assistance of Attorney General whereby the drilling obligation with reference to the above leases in the zone of State boundary dispute should be suspended until the question of the State's title was settled, rentals provided for in the leases to be continued, extensions of the leases being granted from November 7, 1957 to date of final decision by the U. S. Court insofar as Florida is affected.

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MONROE COUNTY: Mr. Cody Fowler, on behalf of Gulf Oil Corporation, presented proposal whereby a well should be drilled by Hargrove Temple under agreement with the Gulf firm to a depth of 12,500 feet within the area covered by one of the State Oil and Gas Leases 826-F,Q,S or T on or before March 1, 1959 and deemed full compliance with respect to the requirement of a well drilled for each lease to a depth of 6,000 feet, and each of the 4 leases thereby extended in term as provided for in the leases upon completion of the separate lease wells to 6,000 feet.

On motion of Treasurer Larson, seconded by Comptroller Green, agreement was authorized whereby the commencement on or before March 1st of drilling of the one well to 12,500 feet, and completion within 18 months from this date, shall be deemed compliance with the requirement of a well completed to 6,000 feet for each of the four leases, and that completion of such one well to 12,500 feet shall operate to extend each of the 4 leases as same would be by the completion of one well for each lease to 6,000 feet, and that no other provisions of the leases shall be modified by the agreement.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: On August 5, 1958 the Trustees authorized appraisal of the Pelican Bay area of 2,098 acres currently under Lease No. 728 to Richlands, Inc., at an annual rental of \$11,728.96 (approximately \$3.86 per acre), and which expires July 1, 1960. Appraiser found the market value if sold in small tracts to be \$1,360,000, and as a single tract to be \$1,020,000 (average \$340 per acre) and that rental as a whole should be \$44,700 per year (\$14.90 per acre) after taking into account problems peculiar to the area, including the prospect of increased pumping costs when Lake Okeechobee was raised by the Flood Control District and the cost per acre for drainage maintenance and amortization, over a 15 year pump life. Consideration was given to comparable sales and improvements which remain part of the realty as well as pumps and power equipment owned by lessees which, if furnished by new lessees, would entail an investment of about \$45,000. Four parties, including the present lessee, had registered their desire to negotiate for a lease to be effective July 1, 1960.

The Director recommended that said parties be invited to submit sealed bids for a 15 year lease, on an annual rental basis payable at semi-annual intervals, subject to adjustment to a higher rate at the end of 8th year in the event justified by appraisal of land and improvements leased (not including buildings and equipment placed on the premises by the lessee), such rental determination to be at 4.4% of the value established at such time. Bond of not less than one year's rental was recommended, also that duplicate copy of the appraiser's report and analysis be made available for examination by the interested parties by arrangement with a bank or other responsible party at Pahokee or Belle Glade to hold the copy for examination.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be approved, and he be authorized to get sealed bids on the lease in the manner proposed.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On February 3, 1959 the Trustees deferred action on application of Walter N. Todd, Jr., upland owner, for approval of Fill Permit No. DF86 issued by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority.

The Director reported that he examined State Road Department plans for causeway-bridge approach fill extending into Cross Bayou in line with the proposed Todd extension, which appeared to remove any doubt that the Todd fill would exceed the length of the SRD fill.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Fill Permit No. DF86 in favor of Mr. Todd, issued by Pinellas Authority.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of a State Permit to the City of St. Petersburg Beach in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, for structures and measures to combat erosion which is undermining the existing seawall protecting the southerly 2,000 feet of Gulf frontage of Pass-a-Grille Key, said structures to consist of one jetty near southerly tip of Pass-a-Grille Beach, a system of short groins, rock protection for existing seawall, and other measures outlined in the Coastal Laboratory report.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the Trustees accept the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board as to issuance of State Permit in accordance with plans approved by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and that requirement of surety bond by the municipality be waived.

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WALTON COUNTY: J. W. Prince and H. W. Gouveia applied for treasure lease covering the submerged bottoms of Choctawhatchee Bay in Walton County. The Director recommended 3 year lease at \$100.00 per year, subject to the requirement of 25% royalty, filing of quarterly re-

ports of operations, consent of upland owners where operations are within 500 feet of upland, surety bond in the sum of \$1,000.00, and that lease be subject to outstanding shell, oil and gas leases.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of non-exclusive treasure lease in favor of Messrs. Prince and Gouveia, subject to the recommendations as outlined by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY AND LEE COUNTIES: The State Road Department requested temporary easement covering an additional dredging area in St. Andrews Bay in Sections 28 and 33, Township 3 South, Range 15 West, Bay County, for the construction of the approaches of the New Hathaway Bridge, said easement to terminate 48 months from date of instrument.

Also, the State Road Department requested a perpetual easement for highway right of way purposes across submerged lands of the Caloosahatchee River in Section 24, Township 43 South, Range 25 East, and Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 26 East, Lee County.

The Director recommended that the Bay County temporary easement be granted, and that as to the Lee County perpetual easement, same be granted when the State Road Department had shown proof of ownership of the upland or obtained consent of the riparian upland owner, in accordance with Section 253.126, F. S. 1957.

Motion was made and adopted that the two easements be approved in favor of the State Road Department as recommended by the Director.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Mrs. H.D.K. Stanford, representing Manatee County Conservation Alliance, came before the Board on behalf of an area plan to combat beach erosion by the disposition of spoil material dredged by the Federal Government in the Florida West Coast Inland Navigation District inland waterway program. She stated that the program had the approval of Manatee and Sarasota County Commissions, Anna Maria Erosion Prevention District, Siesta Key Vacation, Inc., Erosion Control Manosata Key, and other organizations in the two counties. Federal and state financial aid would be sought for placing on the Gulf of Mexico side of the islands the material dredged from the inland waterway.

The Director stated that nothing had been submitted to the Trustees' office for study and if reasonable repair of damages, and not filling of private frontage, was the plan, the Coastal Engineering Laboratory should view the request and make recommendations.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that Mrs. Stanford be requested to submit a definite outline of the erosion protection plan and how the Trustees can assist.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials requested perpetual dedication for wildlife refuge of that portion of the Cowpens area westerly from the north portion of Plantation Key bounded northwesterly by right of way of the Intracoastal Waterway about 800 yards, marked at the northeasterly by Beacon 73-A and at the approximate southwesterly end of Beacon 76, U.S.C. & G. Chart No. 1249, the width being 1,000 yards at right angles from the waterway, under supervision and control of the said Park Board.

Motion was made and adopted that formal instrument of dedication in favor of the Park Board be authorized, covering the area as requested.



MONROE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval and concurrence in Resolution adopted January 26, 1959 by the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials in which the Park Board requested both the United States and the State of Florida to make a dedication for public enjoyment and use without reference to any state boundary, covering the great coral reef zone easterly of Key Largo, beginning at Molasses Reef, thence northeast to Whistle Buoy 2 (approximately 21 miles), thence northwest to Buoy C-21 (approximately 3½ miles), thence southwest approximately 21½ miles to Beacon 37, thence southeast approximately 3½ miles to Molasses Reef (U.S.C. & G. Chart 1249) Said Resolution did not define the proposed administration of the area.

Chairman of the Park Board, Frank D. Upchurch, was present on behalf of this request.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in the Resolution by the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials as described above.

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HERNANDO AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: The Florida Board of Forestry requested approval and concurrence in the following timber sales; conditions of which had been examined and the sales advertised for bids:

Hernando County: County Line Timber Sale, 225 acres in E½ of Sec. 17, Twp. 21, Rge. 20, Withlacoochee State Forest.

Santa Rosa County: Luck Creek Sawtimber Sale, 885 acres in Sections 11, 12, 13 and 14, Twp. 5 North, Rge. 27 West, Blackwater River State Forest.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in the two timber sales as requested by the Florida Board of Forestry.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County requested the Trustees to meet with representatives of the county, Ed C. Wright, and representatives of the State Road Department, to discuss a proposal for exchange of Trustees' lands to effect acquisition of rights of way in connection with the Inter-state System State Road project, including new causeway and bridge across Tampa Bay, which would require use of county funds for procurement of certain land. Present at the meeting were Ed C. Wright, land owner, and Leighton O. Hester, County Engineer, on behalf of Pinellas County Commissioners.

The Trustees discussed the proposal to convey Trustees' submerged lands to Mr. Wright, which are riparian to his upland, in exchange for grants which he would make to the county for right of ways, thereby saving the county acquisition expense. It was felt that this would be a grant of Trustees' lands in aid of state highway construction, and should be worked out in the best interests of the state. The land would have to be within bulkhead line fixed by the county and approved by Trustees, be advertised for objections in accordance with procedures under Chapter 57-362, and meet the public test as in any other case, in view of the possible filling of the land.

The Director raised the question of whether the interest of the State School Fund would be taken care of, and suggested that the county pay for advertising and costs.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the staff be authorized to work with the Attorney General's Office to see what can be worked out, and that the matter be brought back to the Trustees for official action.

TRUSTEES' OFFICE: The Trustees authorized the Director to request State Road Department to regrade and surface the parking area adjacent to the Trustees' office, marking parking spaces and reserving spaces for the staff and several for visitors having business with the Trustees.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 713 listing 3 regular bids for sale of lands under Chapter 18296, and authorize issuance of Broward County Deed No. 1158-Cor. to J. W. Watson, Duval County Deed No. 3145-Cor. to Elizabeth Lola Warren Powell Foote, and Hillsborough County Deed No. 5080-Cor. to Lewis Bregman and wife, Lily S. Bregman, issuance of said corrective deeds having been approved by the Attorney General.

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BREVARD COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials advised that the United States of America desired conveyance, for defense purposes and expansion of the Guided Missile Test Center Range, of DeSoto Beach State Park lands conveyed under the Murphy Act to the Florida Board of Forestry and Parks under Deed No. 01-Chapter 21998, Acts of 1943, and conveyed September 16, 1949 to the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials, the latter conveyance due to the separation of the two agencies.

Frank D. Upchurch, Chairman of the Park Board, described the land as an undeveloped area which the Board proposed to lease to the U. S., but conveyance in fee simple was requested. To meet legal requirements, the Park Board asked permission to reconvey these lands to the Trustees for their disposition to the United States.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance to the United States for the purposes requested be approved and that Mr. Ferguson be empowered to work out the details, including reverter clause in event of non-use by the Federal Government.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Donald A. Reeves and Sylvia C. Reeves, his wife, offered \$50.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  less 5 acres in NW corner, in Section 12, Township 3 North, Range 25 West, comprising 35 acres. Information was that applicant acquired the land on November 17, 1956, and conditions did not comply with the law for conveyances under the Hardship Act.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be rejected, and \$10.00 per acre base bid at regular sale be required.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Ray E. Green*  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 4, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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LAND SALES

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 177-08-253.12 - In meeting October 14, 1958, the Trustees rejected without prejudice the application of the Grove City Realty Corporation, represented by Wotitzky and Wotitzky, and sustained the objection by William C. Sowell to sale of the two parcels of submerged land in Lemon Bay in Sections 8 and 17, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, containing 4.19 acres and 0.62 acres, adjacent to applicant's upland. Applicant withdrew from said application Parcel No. 2 (0.62 acres) which parcel was the basis for the objection, and requested confirmation of the sale of Parcel No. 1 (4.19 acres).

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the 4.19 acre parcel in favor of the applicant at \$200.00 per acre, the appraised price.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 262-13-253.12 - On January 6, 1959 the Trustees approved sale at the token payment of \$100.00 per acre, in view of the proposed use of the land, to Mount Sinai Hospital of Greater Miami, a non-profit corporation, of those parcels of submerged lands in Biscayne Bay in Sections 22 and 27, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, abutting and surrounding Johns and Collins Islands and abutting Lots 41 and 42, Block 1, plat of Nautilus Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 95, Dade County records, less those areas formerly conveyed by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund to the City of Miami Beach, and the net area to be conveyed being 7.16 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Miami Beach Sun, and no objections were received. A quorum not being present on the sale date, February 24th, confirmation was requested on this date.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Treasurer Larson, and adopted that sale of the land described be confirmed in favor of the Mt. Sinai Hospital at the token offer of \$100.00 per acre, deed to contain clause for hospital purposes, reversion clause for non-use for such purposes, and subject to the temporary easement to the State Road Department in connection with its 36th Street Causeway project.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 304-43-253.12 - On January 13, 1959 the Trustees approved the modified bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Martin County in front of and abutting parcel of land in Section 19, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, and authorized advertisement of 2.74 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Jupiter Sound within said bulkhead line, applied for by Louis J. Schneider and wife, abutting owners, represented by Arthur R. Clonts. The land was advertised for objections only in the Stuart News, and certain objections were filed and were subsequently withdrawn. A quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, February 24th, confirmation of sale was requested.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Louis J. Schneider and wife at the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 309-44-253.12 - On January 13, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Enrique Eguren and wife, upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 21, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale, and a quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, confirmation of sale was requested.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Enrique Eguren and wife at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 314-44-253.12 - On January 20, 1959 the Trustees considered application of the United States, by the Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, for conveyance of a tract of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 17 and 18, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Cudjoe Key, abutting and surrounding Government Lot 3 of said Section 17 and extending northwesterly from the northwesterly extreme of said Government Lot 3 into said Section 18 to include two small islands or mangrove flats in said Section 18, containing 54.1 acres, more or less, the land to be used in connection with the Air Force Missile Program. The Trustees approved waiving regular application fee, asking applicant to pay the advertising costs only. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Condemnation proceedings in so far as the upland properties are concerned not having been completed, motion was made and adopted that action be deferred pending such completion and receipt by the Trustees' Office of notice of filing of the declaration of taking.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12. On January 13, 1959 the Trustees considered application of the City of Dunedin for conveyance of three tracts of submerged land in St. Joseph's Sound, and the parcels were advertised for objections only in The Dunedin Times, proof of publication filed with the Trustees. About 140 telegrams and letters were filed in favor of the bulkhead line and grant, and about 4 objected to the project. This date was set for a special hearing on the bulkhead line and application for grant to the city of the three areas, (1) 2557.64 acres at Honeymoon Island, (2) 506.64 acres for a causeway and bridge right of way and city marine and sewage disposal plant, (3) 467 acres at Caladesi Island, all in Township 28 South, Range 15 East, parcels 1 and 3 lying within bulkhead line fixed November 17, 1958 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority riparian to upland and sovereignty areas held in the name of Tom B. Slade as Trustee.

A delegation of about 100 persons from Dunedin and Pinellas County were present, and the meeting was adjourned to the House Chamber where the hearing continued.

Mr. Robert Ingle of the State Board of Conservation was present to answer questions, and he summarized the position of the department on the basis of an evaluation of the marine life, fishing and related enterprises, as adverse to filling in this prime nursery site. His department recommended a deferment of from one to two years for further study of the project to determine whether it would be possible to mitigate some of the damage to marine life.

S. E. Simmons, special counsel for the City of Dunedin, reviewed the facts regarding the application of the city for conveyance of the submerged land, and stated that the citizens of Dunedin were overwhelmingly in favor of the project. He explained some of the provisions in the contract between the city and the developer, Curlew Properties, Inc., whereby the developer would build and turn over to the city free a causeway constructed under plans approved by the State Road Department between the mainland and Honeymoon Island, would donate to the Road Department necessary right of way to connect the causeway with the highway on the mainland, would dredge and make available a site for marina and sewage plant, provide public bathing beach on Honeymoon Island, 1,500 feet in length, 400 feet deep, and provide proper access road to the beach. In exchange for those public benefits estimated to be worth \$3,000,000, the city agreed to apply to the Trustees for conveyance of these lands, and after causeway was constructed, a large portion of the state land would be turned over to the developer.

Col. H. C. Gee, retained by Curlew Properties, Inc., reported to the Trustees on the engineering plans and recommendations as to the bulkhead line and proposed fill. The Trustees examined maps of the area.

Charles B. Clayton, who was retained by the developer to make a land use map of Honeymoon Isle, and Dr. Frederick Thomsen, economic expert, made statements in favor of the project.

Attorney General Ervin expressed concern for the large area on the Gulf Coast that was indicated for private development, not accessible to the public for enjoyment of the waterfront.

Knight G. Aulsbrook representing Dunedin Civic Association, Inc., Dunedin Federation of Civic Clubs, Inc., Harbor View Villas Assoc., and the Alliance for the Conservation of Natural Resources of Pinellas County, spoke in opposition to the proposal, calling attention to the great size of the project and to terms in the contract which appeared inimical to the public welfare and stated that the development would result in a tremendous tax burden on Dunedin. He asked the Trustees to scrutinize the plan and contract between the city and developer as it was in the discretion of the Board to grant the city's application. He stated that an inadequate area was proposed for public beach and other facilities, and that the conclusions in the Coastal Laboratory's report differed from the developer's original plan, indicating need for careful examination of the engineering design of the project. Also, the beach area would not be a grant from the developer but would be provided through exchange for upland property owned by the city.

Pat Richey raised an objection to the proposed conveyance on his own behalf, pointing out a small area divided from the northern tip of Honeymoon Island by a deep channel and therefore not riparian, but within the bulkhead line fixed for Honeymoon Island, which he would like to purchase for himself. If sold separately, however, competitive bidding would be required, the Governor pointed out.

Protests were also heard from Haddon Johnson, president of Dunedin Civic Assoc., Inc., and Mrs. Burton Bigelow, who stated that many areas in Pinellas County had already been filled without the expected developments materializing, and in this case such a situation would leave the people of Dunedin burdened with problems without the economic advantages promised by the developer.

In favor of the conveyances to Dunedin, the Trustees heard from J. D. Healey, W. D. Register, Col. Moore, U. S. Army Ret., and other business men of Dunedin.

The Trustees suggested that Mr. Simmons and Mr. Adrian Bacon, attorney for the developer, go back to the city and review the points brought out in the hearing, as the board desired assurance that the contract would afford as many safeguards and advantages both to the public and the developer as could be achieved. The Governor felt that the matter should be taken under advisement,

referred to the Attorney General for conferences with representatives of his staff, the Trustees' Director, the city, the developer and civic associations regarding details in the contract and plans.

The Governor summarized the views of the Trustees as approving, without objection, the broad general objectives of the proposal and regarded it in line with the Board's policy of making grants to cities and counties in aid of public projects. Recognizing that there were limits within which a developer could afford to make concessions, the Trustees felt that the details and suggestions made should be worked out with a view toward providing more public facilities, including at least 3,000 feet frontage for beach area, and the matter be brought back for final consideration at a later date.

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**SARASOTA COUNTY:** File No. 171-58-253.12. On February 3, 1959 the Trustees heard objections and took under advisement the application by Ben F. Cochran, upland owner, represented by John C. Pinkerton and J. Velma Keen, for a parcel of Sarasota Bay submerged land in Section 24, Township 36 S., Range 17 E., containing 2.78 acres, more or less, within bulkhead line established by the City of Sarasota prior to June 11, 1957. The applicant owned submerged area between the upland and the parcel applied for, and held city fill permit.

The Director had information and maps showing the city's plans prepared by SRD to fill immediately north of the Cochran application for a causeway fill to extend 6th (formerly 12th) Street across the bay adjacent to the Cochran project, extending their fill more than 1,000 feet offshore. The City Manager requested the Trustees to reserve from the area now sought right of way for the 6th Street crossing, if sale was confirmed, but the exact requirement of right of way had not been defined.

J. Velma Keen reported that his clients were not able to reach an agreement with David Lawrence, an objector, and asked that the Trustees not hold up Mr. Cochran's development - that he be given permission to fill the part he now owned.

Attorney General stated that he was against that, and that until a coordinated plan was worked out for the property of the applicant and the city causeway and development, it would not be evident what the coast line would be.

At the Governor's suggestion motion was made and adopted that the application to purchase the 2.78 acre parcel be denied without prejudice and without commitment, and upon request, further consideration will be given at a future time; and the board approve the city's permit to the applicant to fill only as to the submerged land to which Cochran already held title, no further filling to be allowed without permission from the Trustees.

Attorney General Ervin asked that he be recorded as voting "No" on the motion.

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#### APPLICATIONS AND BULKHEAD LINES

**DADE COUNTY:** Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crivello made application to purchase Government Lot 1 in Section 23, Township 58 South, Range 40 East, containing 48 acres, and/or one of the four Arsenicker Keys in Card Sound. The Director reported that bulkhead lines for the upland and each of the keys had been fixed by Dade County but had not been submitted for approval of the Trustees, and that the 48 acre upland parcel was low, wet land, withdrawn from sale in December, 1958. It was also reported that campsite leases were outstanding on Long Arsenicker Key and East Arsenicker Key.

Motion was made and adopted that the application be denied, and the parcels be retained in state ownership.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 323-44-253.12. Joseph Felton and wife, upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.96 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the parcel be advertised for objections only, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 327-44-253.12. Clem Price and wife, upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Cow Key Channel in Section 34, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.60 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that advertisement of the parcel for objections only be approved, based on the offer submitted.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wherrell, represented by G. E. Bryant, applied to purchase Lots 6, 8 and 12 in Block 192, Okeechobee, offering \$300.00 for the three lots, which were purchased by the Trustees from the State under the Murphy Act and were withdrawn from sale in 1958. The applicant desired to build a new residence on the subject lots, which were immediately adjacent to his residence.

Motion was made and adopted that the lots be advertised for competitive bids, sale to be subject to outstanding municipal and drainage taxes and assessments.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Application was made to Haynes E. Williams, Clerk of Circuit Court, for purchase of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres described as beginning at the southeast corner of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, and running West 65 feet, North 256.2 feet to State Road 70(8); North 61° 18' East along road 75 feet, South 292 feet, to be used for a home site. The land was purchased from the State under the Murphy Act and withdrawn pending approval of applications where development would be assured. On August 5th and September 16th, 1958, the Trustees authorized the Clerk to sell certain lots under Murphy Act procedures.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the Clerk of the Circuit Court to advertise and hold public sale of the  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acre parcel, setting the amount of \$400.00 for the parcel as base bid.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 266-50-253.12. George D. Lainhart and D. C. Lainhart, abutting upland owners represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimers under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing a total of 2.865 acres, and (b) deeds to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Section 3, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the two parcels in (a), outward to the established bulkhead line, containing a total of 1.975 acres, offering the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of the two disclaimers at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge for each, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the two parcels requested to be conveyed, based on the offer submitted.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 329-50-253.12. Bruce W. Strong, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Fisher, Dickinson & Prior, offered the appraised price of \$1,035.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 28, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.061 acres, within the bulkhead line which had been formally established by Riviera Beach.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the parcel advertised for objections, based on the offer submitted.

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DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 330-16-253.12. The bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Duval County in meeting September 29, 1958, in front of and abutting three contiguous parcels of upland in the William Drummond Grant in Section 47, Township 1 South, Range 27 East, was presented to the Trustees for formal approval.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer action on the said bulkhead line.

American Oil Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, and Mrs. Nell L. C. Bostwick, abutting upland owners, represented by Bostwick and Bostwick, offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for the contiguous parcels of submerged land in the St. Johns River in unsurveyed Sections 16, 20 and 21, Township 1 South, Range 27 East, containing a total of 126.83 acres, being a part of the William Drummond Grant and within the bulkhead line deferred above.

Without objection, the Trustees declined the offer as insufficient, and at suggestion of the Governor, expressed willingness to reconsider the application upon receipt of offer of \$200.00 per acre.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 142-41-253.12. Formal approval by the Trustees was requested for Amended Bulkhead Line fixed by the Town of Holmes Beach by Ordinance No. 77 dated February 10, 1959 (amending Ordinance No. 61 previously approved) for that portion of the original line for the town designated as Area 2. The revised layout was necessary in order to adjust the line to an area offshore from existing uplands for conformity to existing concrete bulkheads, so as to reflect the actual contours of the bayou separating Key Royale from the Island of Anna Maria as determined by recent surveys.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the Amended Bulkhead Line for the Town of Holmes Beach for said portion of the original line designated as Area 2.

On January 13, 1959, the Trustees deferred action on confirming sale, after advertising, to Key Royale, Inc., applicant, of two parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, more fully described in minutes of said date. No objections were filed, and the land was within the revised bulkhead line for the Town of Holmes Beach.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land applied for by Key Royale, Inc., at the price offered.

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BROWARD COUNTY: On January 27th the Trustees deferred action on application for approval of bulkhead line fixed by the City of Fort Lauderdale in the North Fork, New River, offshore from a parcel of upland in Government Lot 7, Section 4, Township 50 South, Range 42 East, established by City Ordinance No. C-1508 adopted January 6, 1959.

After examination of the aerial photographs submitted by the applicant, motion was made and adopted that the Trustees reject, without prejudice, the bulkhead line, which appeared to allow a more extensive fill in the small water way than was desirable.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended for formal approval by the Trustees the amended bulkhead line in Tampa Bay in Secs. 16, 17, 19, 20 & 30, Township 31 South, Range 19 East, established by the Hillsborough County Commission on February 6, 1959, said bulkhead line being a closed traverse description for two tracts offshore from the mean high water mark of the uplands in Fractional Sections 16, 20 and 30 in Township 31 South, Range 19 East, Hillsborough County, the area being designated as Apollo Beach Subdivision.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the said bulkhead line as established by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Approval of the Trustees was requested for Section 1 of bulkhead line fixed by the City of Bradenton Beach pursuant to Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, by action of the City Council on September 5, 1958, said bulkhead line starting from the north corporate limits of the City of Bradenton Beach, at the terminus of the Holmes Beach bulkhead line, heretofore approved, southerly to the south line of Section 33, Township 35 South, Range 16 East.

Motion was made and adopted that formal approval be given to the City of Bradenton Beach bulkhead line as requested.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: Application was presented from the City of Hallandale for State Permit to install seven (7) groins to combat severe erosion and protect the city's public beach and the adjacent waterfront of William F. Chatlos. The Coastal Engineering Laboratory recommended issuance of permit to the city for the groins which collectively constituted a system to function as a unit between the present shoreline and that which existed prior to July 12, 1958.

Motion was made and adopted that State Permit to the City of Hallandale be granted, for the usual charge of \$10.00, conditioned on compliance with recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

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CITRUS, HERNANDO, OKALOOSA COUNTIES: The Florida Board of Forestry requested approval and concurrence of the Trustees in the following timber sales, the conditions of which had been examined by Mr. Ferguson and the sales advertised for competitive sealed bids:

\* Citrus County: Holder Pits Stumpwood Sale, approximately 5,000 acres in Sections 13,23,24, 25,26,35 and 36, Township 19 South, Range 19 East, and Sections 1,2,11,12,14, and 23, Township 20 South, Range 19 East;

Hernando County: McKethan Lake Timber Sale, 700 acres in Sections 18,19 and 20, Township 21 South, Range 20 East, Withlacoochee State Forest;

Okaloosa County: Mare Creek Sawtimber-Pulpwood Sale, 370 acres in Sections 13,14 and 23, Township 5 North, Range 25 West, Blackwater River State Forest.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in the request of the Florida Board of Forestry.



DADE COUNTY: The Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District by Resolution No. 370, dated September 12, 1956, requested the Trustees to withhold from sale all lands within Township 56 South, Range 37 East, Dade County, until such time as the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, had completed the survey-review report for that area to determine the feasibility of installing a plan for flood protection. The lands in said township were recently deeded to the State of Florida from the Everglades National Park, and the Director recommended that the land be withdrawn from lease, sale or other disposition until said report was completed.

Motion was made and adopted that the request of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District be granted and all lands in Township 56 South, Range 37 East be withdrawn from sale, lease or other disposition until completion of the survey-review report by the Corps of Engineers.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Request was made for formal approval of proposal of Hiomar Corporation to fill submerged land in Sections 5 and 6, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, sale of which was confirmed February 17th (File No. 260-31-253.12). The U. S. Permit was secured, but the city's bulkhead ordinance required approval by the Trustees before the city issued permit under Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the proposal and the permit when issued by the city in accordance with data submitted.

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LEON COUNTY: Houston Texas Gas & Oil Corporation, represented by Truett & Watkins, applied for (1) a perpetual easement 30 feet wide, and (2) temporary easement for the period of initial construction only, 20 feet wide adjacent to the perpetual easement strip, across bottom lands in Lake Jackson in Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, for installation of pipeline below the lake bottom. Offer was made of \$16.00 per rod for the 48.99 rods in this instance, which was in line with settlement offered to upland owners.

The Director recommended that easement, in form approved by the Attorney General, be authorized for delivery upon payment of \$783.84 and receipt of evidence that easement had been acquired on the adjacent private upland to the meander of the lake.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of easements to Houston Texas Gas & Oil Corporation as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: The State Road Department requested perpetual easement for highway purposes over the submerged lands in the Straits of Florida, being the southerly extension of 5th Street on Stock Island to Cow Key in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East.

Motion was made and adopted that the request of the State Road Department be granted and the easement be authorized for highway purposes.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Palm Beach Yacht Club applied for 20-year renewal of Permit No. 18479, expiring March 6, 1959, covering 1.53 acres of Lake Worth submerged land in Section 15, Township 43 South, Range 43 East. The permit authorized occupation, use and improvement of the parcel which lay in front of the Yacht Club House, "all for public convenience and benefit", for \$50.00 annually.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize a 20-year renewal on the same terms, to remain open at all times to the free legitimate use of the public and subject to revocation by the Trustees for cause arising out of violation of permit provisions.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Lakeside, Inc., of Lake Worth, Florida, represented by McCoy & Love, requested a substitute deed for the reason that Trustees I.I. Fund Deed No. 19461, dated March 22, 1949, contained a description that meandered the edge of the waters of Lake Osborne in an indefinite manner rather than by definite courses and distances. In exchange for a substitute deed, Lakeside, Inc. will reconvey the area of reclaimed lake bottom land in the original deed, less two parcels which had been conveyed by the original grantee.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of a substitute deed to the applicant at a cost of \$10.00 plus recording fees.

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PASCO COUNTY: Report was made to the Trustees of a case of filling operations on submerged or tidal lands at Hudson, Florida, where Sheriff Leslie Bessenger gave prompt and efficient cooperation in response to inquiry from the Director, contacted the parties conducting fill work, obtained photos and otherwise assisted in making arrangements for the operator to review his permits and files with the Trustees and the Attorney General. The satisfactory conclusion of the matter was in large measure due to the despatch with which the Sheriff and his staff proceeded.

Motion was made and adopted that a certified excerpt of the minutes on this matter be forwarded to Sheriff Bessenger as an expression of appreciation of the Trustees for his cooperation.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Henry P. Boggs, holder of Lease No. 1094 covering an old lighthouse near the southerly end of Lake George, advised the Trustees that poor condition and need of repair had prevented the intended use of the structure as a club house for the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. He proposed to make necessary repairs and replacements if the expense could be applied on the rent.

Annual rental under the lease was \$25.00, and the estimated cost of repairs immediately needed would exceed the rental contemplated under the current lease which expires February 12, 1962.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the lease covers submerged land only and the structure was unique and of historic interest, and recommended that a 15-year extension be granted for a new lease exempting the Trustees from liability and allowing the lessee to repair and maintain the structure, submitting paid invoices for such work to be credited to the rental account.

Motion was made and adopted that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Trustees.

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EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK: At a meeting on February 25, 1959, of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, deeds which were required to finally settle the boundaries of the park were exchanged with representatives of the National Park Service in accordance with action taken by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund on February 3, 1959.

Motion was made and adopted that the following memorandum of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions be included in the minutes of this date:

"The Governor welcomed to the meeting Mr. Jackson Price, Assistant Director, and Mr. Donald Lee, Chief of Lands, National Park Service, Department of Interior, Washington, D. C., and Mr. Warren Hamilton, Superintendent of Everglades National Park.

The Governor stated that the State and Federal Governments have reached a final conclusion as to the permanent boundaries of Everglades National Park, and that the State and Federal Governments are prepared to exchange deeds which are required to finally settle the boundaries. He then presented to Mr. Jackson Price a deed from the State of Florida covering approximately 70,000 acres of state-owned lands and 30,000 acres of lands owned by the Collier interests, which lands have been held in trust for park purposes.

In return, Mr. Price presented to the Governor deeds conveying to the State approximately 52,000 acres of land owned by the National Park Service, which were heretofore conveyed to said Service but later excluded from the boundaries of the Park.

The deed to the State of Florida was transmitted to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund for recording and filing.

The above action was agreed to by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund at a previous meeting."

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EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK: On January 13, 1959 the Trustees authorized exchange of lands with the National Park Service, including conveyance of that part within the 1958 boundary, of lands which were conveyed to the Trustees December 12, 1951 and March 21, 1952, by Barron Collier, Jr. and Miles Collier. The Board, on January 13th, proposed to convey the portions outside the Park boundary to the Collier interests, but on February 3rd directed that the Attorney General obtain a statement of the wishes of the Collier interests. Under date of February 6th, Barron Collier, Jr., and Isabel M. Collier as Executrix of the Estate of Miles Collier, deceased, requested that the Trustees convey the said areas which are outside the Park boundary, including Block 34 and Tract "L" at Everglades City, to the United States.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed to the United States for conveyance of these remainder areas.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Mrs. Ethel Hawes applied for lease of the former Bird Property at 716 South Duval Street, being the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Lot 247 Original Plan of Tallahassee. The Director reported that the major portion of the house was in good condition but certain stairs were in need of replacement, and recommended 12-month lease with renewal privilege, subject to 90-day termination clause as in other leases of Capitol Center properties, all repairs and replacements to be made by lessee, bodily injury and property damage liability insurance and without right of assignment of the lease.

Motion was made and adopted that lease in favor of Mrs. Hawes be authorized for rental of \$90.00 per month, conditioned upon lessee making the necessary repairs and replacements, and including all provisions as recommended by the Director.

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Motion was made and adopted that the Comptroller be authorized to issue warrant in the amount of \$758.70, in lieu of the amount of \$623.10 approved on February 3, 1959, payable to the Commodity Stabilization Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, for payment at the increased price in effect for the desired air photo enlargements and index for use in the Trustees' Office.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize maintenance work on the Trustees' Office building at 803 South Adams Street, listed as (1) cleaning and repairing Venetian blinds and replacing 2 blinds beyond repair, (2) painting all outside wood and metal trim and calking all window frames, and (3) varnishing all floors, baseboards and wood trim indoors. The Director was given authority to proceed with the work, getting bids on items 2 and 3 with special attention as to quality of material specified.

Mr. Terry Lee, State Coordinator for the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, presented an estimate of costs for alterations desired to be made in the north end of the Capitol building, remodeling offices being vacated by Treasurer to be occupied by Attorney General, the estimate showing the amount of \$20,000 to cover architect's fee, plans and specifications and the construction work.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted that the Trustees authorize expenditure of Trustees' funds not to exceed \$20,000 for the requested work.

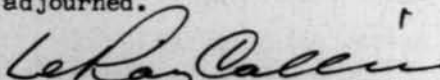
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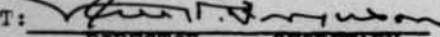
Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 714 listing 6 bids for purchase of land under Chapter 18296; also issuance of Dade County Deed No. 2372-Corrective to Cinema Land Company which had been approved by Attorney General's Office.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY: E. R. Joyce of St. Augustine, former owner on June 9, 1939, offered \$20.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of Lot 37, Rolleston Subdivision.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance under the said chapter to E. R. Joyce be authorized at the price offered, which was the regular base bid.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 10, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

## LAND SALES

DADE COUNTY: File No. 298-13-253.12. On January 20th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$7,065.00 per acre from Mary B. Laws and William B. Brickell, Jr., upland owners represented by Edward N. Claughton, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 7, Township 54 South, Range 42 East, containing 0.552 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 3, 4, 5 and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 6 of Block 103, South, Amended Map of Brickell's Addition, within the approved bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in The Miami Sun and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of the applicants at the price offered.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 275-31-253.12. On January 27th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$318.50 per acre from George A. Fry, upland owner represented by Smith, Diamond & Heath, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Indian River in Section 21, Township 33 South, Range 40 East, abutting the riparian boundaries of the South 660 feet of Government Lots 3 and 4 of said Section 21, lying westerly of State Road 1A1A, within the county-wide bulkhead line established by Indian River County, containing 2.7 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Vero Beach Press-Journal and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of the applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 317-44-253.12. On January 27th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Bryan Hanks and wife, upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.03 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for to Mr. Hanks and wife, at price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 318-44-253.12. On January 27th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum in this instance, from Bryan Hanks and wife, upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 27, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.33 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for to the applicants at the price offered.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 119-48-253.36. On January 27th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from E.M. Tanner, upland owner, represented by J.B. Rodgers, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Apopka in Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, containing 1.54 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Winter Garden Times and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Tanner, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 296-50-253.12. On January 27th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre from Paul Robinson, upland owner represented by K. C. Mock & Associates, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth, Boynton Beach, in Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.03 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in the Boynton Beach News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. Certain objections were filed to the sale, which were subsequently withdrawn. No further objections filed or received on date of sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Robinson at the price offered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 340-52-253.12. Louis Halperin, represented by Baynard, Baynard & McLeod, requested approval of bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in meeting November 17, 1958, and Mr. Halperin offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 0.39 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in Section 31, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, within said bulkhead line and adjacent to applicant's upland ownership. Certified copy of action taken by the Authority approving the bulkhead line and sale of the submerged property was furnished the Trustees, and no objections were filed at the local hearing or with the Trustees.

Mr. Ben Overton was present and explained the location of the bulkhead line with reference to a map submitted for the Board's examination.

Motion was made and adopted that the bulkhead line be approved as established by the Pinellas County Authority, and sale confirmed in favor of Louis Halperin at price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 312-44-253.12. Dr. Robert E. Shands offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 36, Township 65 South, Range 32 East, containing 7.0 acres, more or less, surrounding Government Lot 1 of said Section 36;
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 322-44-253.12. William J. Zeigler, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Doctors Arm Bight in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.81 of an acre, more or less;
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 331-44-253.12. Micheal Schweitzer offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.85 of an acre, more or less;
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 332-44-253.12. W. E. Ball offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less;



5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 333-44-253.12. Anthony J. Posey offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.47 of an acre more or less;
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 335-44-253.12. J. Frank Roberts and May Crowe Gandolfo offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Spanish Harbor in Section 29, Township 66 South, Range 30 East, surrounding Government Lot 2, in said Section 29, containing 19.4 acres, more or less;
7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 338-44-253.12. D. B. White, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Cupon Bight in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.10 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the seven parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Town of Pahokee, in efforts to promote better and additional housing, asked the Trustees to consider the sale for development by private interests of a tract of 157 acres adjacent to the Pahokee-Belle Glade Airport, adjoining the Pahokee City limits, being a tract in the northwest portion of the Richlands, Inc., Farm Lease No. 728, which lease term would expire July 1, 1960. Part of the tract was under a restrictive agreement with the Civil Aeronautics Administration as to a 2000-foot radius from a "Vortac" installation. The Trustees examined a map of the Richlands lease area, which area was authorized on August 5th to be appraised as the lessor had requested extension or renewal. The Director reported that the land was appraised at \$500.00 per acre in the area desired by Pahokee for a housing development.

Present on behalf of the Town of Pahokee were Mayor Dick Parrish, M. I. Keen, other members of the City Commission, and Mr. Simpson, a developer interested in constructing the housing development desired by the town. They informed the Trustees that there was great need for housing for people now living in substandard units in Pahokee, that the city could expand only in that direction, that the lessor had expressed willingness to release the 157 acre tract from their lease area, that the developer would accept the \$500.00 price as base bid for competitive sale, and that the town would be willing to have inserted in the deed a reverter clause.

The Attorney General stated that the group from Pahokee had discussed the proposal with him, and he felt that the Trustees had authority to assist the city. He suggested that the land be advertised and sold subject to specific conditions which the city would be asked to prepare that the land would be used by the purchaser within limited time for housing development meeting F.H.A. and V.A. standards, the conditions to be shown in the advertisement and the deed, and that deed contain a reverter clause under which the land would revert to the state if not used for a housing development.

The Governor felt that the need of the town justified the use of a portion of the farm lease area, as it was the policy of the Trustees to promote internal improvement by aiding counties and municipalities.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Comptroller Green and adopted, that the 157 acres be set aside out of the Richlands lease acreage, and that the Attorney General be directed to work out such agreement with the Town of Pahokee and the staff to insure public sale to the best and highest bidder for housing development, and that advertisement for competitive bids based on \$500.00 per acre

appraised price be authorized, notice to carry certain specifications to be prepared by the city in cooperation with the Attorney General and to show that Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and that the deed also carry the specifications regarding the type development to be constructed on the land and to carry reverter clause that the land would revert to the state if not used within a limited time for housing development.

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#### PERMITS

BREVARD COUNTY: P. E. Tillotson made application for the purchase of 500 cubic yards of fill material to be taken from the bottoms of the Indian River from an area riparian to his upland Lot 14 of Jorgensens Plat of Grant, Florida, in Section 28, Township 29 South, Range 38 East, the material to be used to improve said upland property. Recommendation of the Director was that permit be issued at the cost of 5¢ per cubic yard, or the amount of \$25.00 in this instance.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be approved as action of the Board.

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LEE COUNTY: Gulf Guaranty Land & Title Company made application for an additional 40,000 cubic yards of fill material to be taken from the Caloosahatchee River in Sections 18 and 19 of Township 45 South, Range 24 East, the material to be used in the development of applicant's upland, Cape Coral Subdivision. This was in addition to the 30,000 cubic yards authorized under Trustees' Permit No. 1183 dated June 6, 1956, thereby making the cost at the rate of 2¢ per cubic yard, or \$800.00.

The Director recommended that the permit be issued for use of the additional amount of material for \$800.00. He explained that statements of the amounts of material used are furnished to Trustees by the permittees.

Motion was made and adopted that permit be authorized in favor of applicant for the requested amount of fill material at the price recommended by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

Request was presented from Mrs. H.D.K. Starford, who was present at the February 17th meeting, that the Trustees bear expense of preliminary studies of erosion problems in seven (7) counties in relation to some plan for use of fill material from rights of way of West Coast Inland Navigation District at such time as the U.S. Engineers may contract for deepening of channels.

It was reported that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory had reported acute need for remedial measures in many areas, and the Laboratory's existing reports were available, as was much data compiled by the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association, which is a state-wide organization. It was indicated that further and more comprehensive studies for the 7 counties would require much time beyond the 1959 Legislative session.

The Director advised that Trustees' funds were heavily committed, there being no surplus for systematic matching of local funds for projects in all critical areas of the state under Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957, and that unless the Trustees vacate outstanding commitments and liquidate bonds, financial participation at that time was not recommended.

Treasurer Larson and Comptroller Green concurred in the recommendation of the Director, and at the suggestion of the Attorney General it was agreed that the records show the Trustees were not in position to allocate funds for these preliminary erosion studies but would

assist the counties to the extent of giving suggestions that could be used as basis for requesting legislative appropriations for the said counties.

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ORANGE COUNTY: Lake Maitland Suit. Attorney General Ervin informed the Board that Chancery No. 32832, Orange County - the Lake Maitland Suit - had successfully been concluded in favor of the Trustees, and asked Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane to make explanation.

Mr. McLane reported that the suit established a precedent that would be helpful to the Trustees in administration of navigable fresh water lakes, title to which are in the State by right of its sovereignty. In litigation between two private interests, the Trustees had authorized intervention to establish navigability of Lake Maitland and to declare as sovereignty those lands lying underneath the lake. This was a non-meandered lake, and the Government survey was upset to show that the lake which was shown erroneously on government surveys as a pond was actually a fresh water lake, and navigable. The result of litigation established navigability of Lake Maitland and declared the state as owner of the bottoms up to the contour of the high water mark, and survey was being made to determine lines as far as private parties were concerned.

The Trustees accepted the report and authorized the Attorney General to do what was necessary in the culmination of the suit.

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GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: The Director reported that the City of Tallahassee obtained option, assigned to Trustees, to purchase North 70 feet of Lot 13, Long Grove Addition, E. L. White reserving right to occupy to December 31, 1959, but agreeing to deliver title free and clear by December 31, 1958. Warrant in amount of \$45,000 was obtained, but vendor had not given deed of general warranty and meanwhile taxes of city and county attached as liens because of private ownership on January 1, 1959. Mr. White's attorney indicated that consummation of the sale may now be possible.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for appropriate action to clear up final details.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Rose Building. The Trustees discussed the possibility of utilizing the building under lease, to expire in September 1959, to the Rose Printing Company. It was the consensus of opinion that it would be a convenience to the staff and the public to have the Trustees' office moved from the Strauss Building to some location nearer the Capitol. Mr. Ferguson thought that the Rose Building might be suitable, and he stated that the estimate made by the Construction Division of the office of the Commissioners of State Institutions seemed to be in excess of what might be necessary to renovate the building for his needs.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to look into the matter.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 715 listing 1 bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act; also the Trustees authorized issuance of Broward County Deed 2827-Cor. to Robert L. McWhorter, Sr., and Robert L. McWhorter, Jr., to correct name of grantee, and Polk County Deed No. 2442-Cor.-Suppl. to Florida Tile Industries, Inc., to supply a more sufficient description, the Attorney General's office having recommended issuance of the corrective instruments.



GADSDEN COUNTY: Mrs. Lottie Wood offered \$60.00, the base bid, for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  North of Road, Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 1 West, comprising 6 acres. Application showed compliance with the law, and that Mrs. Wood was the widow of A. C. Wood, deceased, the former owner on June 9, 1939.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance to Mrs. Wood be authorized under Chapter 28317, for the price offered.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The Board of Public Instruction of St. Johns County made application for 14 unnumbered lots in Block 3, Hildreth Beck Bay Subdivision of St. Augustine, adjacent to the Fullerwood School, for extension of school playground facilities.

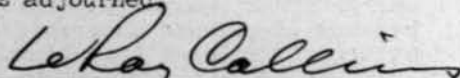
The Director recommended that conveyance be authorized on either of the following bases which the School Board may agree to accept:

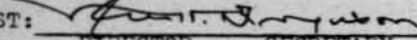
- (1) Dedication for public school purposes at minimum handling charge of \$10.00.
- (2) Conveyance, for public school purposes, at \$10.00 per lot.
- (3) Conveyance without public use clause but subject to oil and mineral and right of way reservations, under Section 192.38 F.S., for \$75.00 per lot.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be accepted as the action of the Board, and the Board of Public Instruction be so advised.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 17, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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-Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 287-52-253.12. On January 20th the Trustees considered application by Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., for bulkhead line and sale of 1.23 acres of submerged land in Clearwater Harbor in Section 9, Township 29 South, Range 15 West, City of Clearwater, both the bulkhead line and purchase having been approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority. The Trustees did not give approval

to that portion of the line set across filled land, and the Authority subsequently withdrew and modified the bulkhead line on February 12, 1959. Certified excerpt from the minutes of the City Commission of Clearwater evidenced that the area sought was within the city's bulkhead line and no objection was made to the sale by the city, filed with the Authority or with the Trustees.

The Director advised that the bulkhead line was modified as recommended by the Trustees, and that applicant offered the appraised price of \$1,250.00 per acre for the area sought for development as boat basin facilities.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that formal approval be given to the modified bulkhead line established by the Pinellas Authority on February 12, 1959, and sale was confirmed to Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., at the price offered for the parcel.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: Files Nos. 148-56-253.12; 149-56-253.12. M. A. Ramsey appeared before the Trustees on behalf of application by Fort Pierce Port & Terminal Company, abutting owner, for purchase of two parcels comprising 98.58 acres of submerged land in the Indian River, and application by Causeway Trailer Court, Inc., abutting owner, for purchase of 15.52 acres of submerged land in the Indian River, both parcels being in Section 2, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, in the City of Fort Pierce. Formal approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established by the City of Fort Pierce, Ordinance No. D-185, and by the County, was also requested.

On July 8, 1958, the Trustees deferred action on these two applications, as the applicants raised their original offer of \$66.67 per acre to only \$100.00 per acre, while the state's appraisal was \$740.00 per acre for the approximately 114 acres of land. The Director recommended 15% reduction under the appraised price, or \$629.00 per acre, which allowed for reasonable variation in appraiser's opinions, but Mr. Ramsey stated that his clients' offer was \$500.00 per acre, which they felt was very generous due to the cost of filling and necessary development of the property.

The Trustees examined maps of the area, and the Governor stated that it was very advantageous property with no apparent justification for sale at less than the appraised price.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line set by the city and the county, that the offer of \$500.00 per acre be declined, and that Mr. Ramsey take to his clients the offer of the Trustees to convey the land applied for on the basis recommended by the Director, \$629.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 300-44-253.12. Thomas Clinton and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 1.1 acres, more or less;
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 328-44-253.12. Bjarne Ursin, abutting upland owner, represented by M. Ignatius Lester, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Sections 16 and 21, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 17.5 acres, more or less;

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 339-44-253.12. Dan L. Navarro, abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less;
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 341-44-253.12. Harold L. Paylor and wife, abutting owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Boca Chica Channel in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 3.7 acres, more or less;
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 343-44-253.12. George C. Bolles, et al, abutting upland owners, by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less;
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 344-44-253.12. Vernon C. Hill and wife, abutting upland owners, by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.68 of an acre, more or less;
7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 345-44-253.12. James H. Keene and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 0.69 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo;
8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 346-44-253.12. A. C. Hornung and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 0.90 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the eight parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: Edward S. Christiansen, holder of Contract No. 21307 dated July 11, 1956, requested approval of assignment to Ray F. Sadler of said contract, less the South 100 feet of the tract, heretofore conveyed to Mr. Christiansen. The Director advised that applicant had submitted the original executed assignment with executed acceptance of the contract obligations by the assignee, photo copies would be retained in the sale file, and that the account was current and in good standing.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 21307 to Ray F. Sadler as requested.

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DADE COUNTY: E. H. Bartlett, holder of Campsite Lease No. 933 covering an area 200 feet by 200 feet on Long Arsenicker Key, expiring April 5, 1959, applied for a 5 year renewal of the lease under which rental was \$50.00 per year. The Director reported that the lease account was in good standing.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve renewal for 5 years of Lease No. 933 to E. H. Bartlett, under the same terms and conditions.



**MONROE COUNTY:** The State Road Department requested perpetual easement for highway purposes over certain submerged land in Grassy Key Harbor, being an extension of Crain Street as shown on Crains Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 51, in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of perpetual easement to the State Road Department for highway purposes as requested.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Director advised the Trustees that clarification was needed concerning the intent of the Trustees in connection with the Minutes of May 15, 1956 and Quitclaim Deed No. 21227 in favor of the City of West Palm Beach, which was issued pursuant to authorization set forth in the minutes. The area involved was marginal to Lake Mangonia, and deed was issued for one dollar consideration but had no public purpose clause, and from the minutes it cannot be determined what were the intentions of the Trustees. The Director recommended that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for study jointly with the Trustees' Office.

Motion was made and adopted that the matter be referred to the Attorney General as recommended by the Director, report to be made to the Trustees following the investigation.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** John Morey, represented by John L. Barry, applied for permit to dredge in Lake Osborne to fill and improve the reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, purchased from the Trustees in April 1954.

The Director recommended permission be granted at no cost to applicant, and advised that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission had approved dredging in Lake Osborne.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit to John Morey as recommended by the Director.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** James W. Clark, holder of Farm and Cattle Lease No. 1171 covering 2,544 acres in Sections 1, 2, 12 and 13, Township 42 South, Range 38 East, requested approval of assignment of his lease to Four Square Ranches, Incorporated.

Motion was made and adopted that the assignment to Four Square Ranches, Inc., of Lease No. 1171 be approved, subject to the parties furnishing executed or certified copy of the assignment with signed acceptance by the assignee of all the provisions and obligations of the original lease.

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**PUTNAM COUNTY:** Joseph W. Eberhardinger of Palatka, Florida, applied to purchase 39,000 cubic yards of fill material from the St. Johns River offshore from his property in Township 10 South, Range 27 East, the material to be used to improve his uplands.

Motion was made and adopted that permit be authorized in favor of Mr. Eberhardinger for a total cost of \$1,380.00 for the material.

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**SARASOTA COUNTY:** The City of Sarasota applied to purchase approximately 1.2 acres of the right of way of State Road No. 780, New Ringland Causeway, in Sarasota Bay in the City of Sarasota. Information was that the city proposed to secure release from the State Road Department, which held easement for public road purposes only, and would lease the area for a bait and refreshment concession.

The Director recommended that the public road right of way be kept inviolate against encroachments, especially since public funds appeared to have been used for construction of the filled area sought. He suggested a wayside park be constructed by the State Road Department, or that the city fill certain submerged lands in their control adjacent to the area sought, rather than use the road right of way.

Kenneth Thompson, City Manager of Sarasota, did not arrive to present the city's application, due to travel difficulty.

The action of the Trustees was to decline the application of the City of Sarasota to purchase the parcel of right of way of the New Ringling Causeway, but directed Mr. Ferguson to inform Mr. Thompson that upon receipt of affirmative recommendation from the State Road Department on the city's proposal, consideration would be given to reopening the matter.

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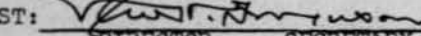
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 716 listing two regular bids for sale of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 24, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meetings of January 27th, February 17th, March 4th, 10th and 17th, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 321-41-253.12. On February 3, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre from John E. Holmes et al, upland owners, represented by James A. Howze, for a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Sections 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, containing 10.8 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead

line of the Town of Holmes Beach. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Bradenton Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections to the sale were filed or presented on date of sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the land advertised in favor of John E. Holmes, et al, at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 175-50-253.12. On February 3, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre from John Norberg, adjacent upland owner represented by John Adair, Jr., & Associates, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.57 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line of Town of Boynton Beach. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Boynton Beach News and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections to the sale were filed or presented.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of John Norberg at the price offered.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On December 9, 1958, the Trustees authorized Haynes E. Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court, to advertise and hold competitive sale at the county courthouse, with base offer of \$75.00 per lot, for six lots in the Town of Okeechobee, title to which was derived under the Murphy Act. The lots were advertised in the Okeechobee News, and the following high bids were received at public sale on March 17, 1959:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 61,		
Roy C. Jones, high bidder .....	\$722.26	
Lot 15, Block 61,		( See Minutes
Roy C. Jones, high bidder .....	276.13	April 28, 1959)
Lot 17, Block 61,		
Coral Enterprises, Inc., high		
bidder .....	236.13	
Lots 19 and 20, Block 61,		
Roy C. Jones, high bidder .....	1,022.26	

Motion was made and adopted that the Clerk's report be approved, and the Trustees confirmed sales and authorized issuance of deeds to the high bidders.

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#### APPLICATIONS FOR LAND

HAMILTON COUNTY: Hamilton Turpentine Company, by F. Bamberg Harrell, applied to purchase Government Lot 2 (3) in Section 6, Township 2 North, Range 14 East, containing 63.54 acres. The land was selected as swamp and overflow land in 1895, and U. S. patent issued to the State March 27, 1896 described the land as Lot 3, being 63.54 acres in southwest corner of Section 6, as shown on U. S. Survey of 1875, which survey was superseded by U. S. Survey of 1880 showing the same parcel numbered as Lot 2. The U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, confirmed that U. S. Patent of Lot 3 (1875 map) was in fact a grant of Lot 2 (1880 map).

Although title vest in the State, tax deed was erroneously issued in 1899, and Hamilton Turpentine Company furnished abstract showing purported title obtained in 1933 through chain of conveyances based on the tax deed, and taxes paid from 1888 through 1957. Affidavits were furnished evidencing use of the land for timber growing, turpentine operations and protection from fires.



Appraisal disclosed a land value of \$4,100.00 plus a timber value of \$3,150.00. In view of the fact that the timber value was attributed in large measure to the operations and protection afforded by title holders under the old tax deed, the Director recommended that the applicant's offer of \$4,100.00 be accepted and that deed be issued under Section 270.09 F.S.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director and authorize deed under Section 270.09 F.S. to Hamilton Turpentine Company for the price offered, without advertising or competitive bids.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 342-43-253.12. John S. Michaelson, the upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 5.96 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line for Martin County.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted by Mr. Michaelson.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: File No. 351-55-253.12. Dr. George C. Hopkins, Jr., et al, upland owners represented by James S. Holton, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 for a parcel containing 0.24 of an acre of submerged land in the Matanzas River in Section 20, Township 7 South, Range 30 East, in the City of St. Augustine, Florida, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 135-52-253.12. On January 27, 1959 the Trustees denied without prejudice, the purchase application of Venetian Isles Development Corporation, and suggested that applicant submit a revised development plan. Adrian Bacon, representing the applicant, submitted two new plans, each showing proposed islands connected with bridges, within the bulkhead line fixed July 24, 1958 by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority. Under either plan the applicant's upland would be converted into islands and navigable water. The sovereignty area within the bulkhead line is approximately 160 acres, of which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre to purchase about 130 acres to create islands on about 63 acres, converting about 67 acres into navigable water.

The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line and confirmation of sale of the 130-acre tract for development under either of the two modified plans submitted, and also recommended that a commitment in writing be given by the purchaser to assure that areas within its upland, and within the sovereignty sale area left unfilled or converted into navigable water areas, be dedicated for public use and enjoyment.

Governor Collins stated that the Trustees wanted to see the county's bulkhead line for the whole area, rather than just for one project, and Mr. Bacon said that generally, the city's recommendation was to follow the offshore shoal line in the area, but definite bulkhead maps for the entire zone were not completed for presentation to the Trustees.

Attorney General Ervin felt that no real modification had been made, only a reduction in area; and that with all the opposition expressed to the original plan and the fact that this might set a precedent, the modified plan should go back to the city and county for approval of the specific plan now under consideration.

Governor Collins suggested that the modified plan be taken back to the local authority for approval, with the explanation being made that the Trustees denied the original plan without prejudice, and the Trustees' engineer had approved the modified plan which required the least filling, on which the Trustees desire local recommendation before acting. He stated that he felt that he could approve the modified plan if it had approval by the city and the County Authority.

Treasurer Larson stated that some cut-back had been made, and in view of the local approval of the plan presented to the Trustees in October, he favored following the Governor's suggestion, and if the modified plan received local approval he would be willing to vote in favor of the sale on the basis as recommended by Mr. Ferguson.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, that Mr. Bacon be requested to take back to the local agencies the matter of bulkhead line and application to purchase the area shown on that modified plan recommended by the Director, on which a substantial change of boundary was made on the southerly side, and that if the application was brought back to the Trustees with approval from the City of St. Petersburg and Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, the Trustees would give their approval. Upon vote, Governor Collins, Comptroller Green and Treasurer Larson registered an affirmative vote. Attorney General Ervin voted "No", stating that although he liked to defer to the local level, he could not announce how he might vote, and he did not look favorably on the modified plan presented on this date.

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DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 330-16-253.12. Pursuant to action of the Trustees on March 4, 1959 on application by American Oil Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, and Mrs. Nell L. C. Bostwick, abutting upland owners, on which date the Board expressed willingness to reconsider application to purchase three contiguous parcels of submerged land in the St. Johns River in unsurveyed Sections 16, 20 and 21, Township 1 South, Range 27 East, containing a total of 126.83 acres in the William Drummond Grant within a bulkhead line established by the Duval County Commission on September 29, 1958, information was presented to the Board that said applicants had agreed by telephone to pay the suggested price of \$200.00 per acre.

The Director recommended that the bulkhead line be approved and the submerged land applied for be advertised for objections only on the basis of the price offered.

Motion was made and adopted that formal approval be given to the bulkhead line, and that the submerged land applied for by American Oil Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, and Mrs. Bostwick be advertised for objections only based on the \$200.00 per acre offer.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of bulkhead line fixed by Board of County Commissioners of Dade County for Burlingame Island as shown on Sheet 40 of the Dade County bulkhead lines. The remainder of Sheet 40 bulkhead lines were approved on November 25, 1958, and it was suggested that approval of the Burlingame Island line include affirmation of the former action on Sheet 40 to simplify certification.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the recommendation of the Director and approve all bulkhead lines shown on Sheet 40 as established by the Dade County Commission.

PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval be given to the bulkhead line applied for by W. D. Owens and established on November 17, 1958 by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, located in Section 8, Township 29 South, Range 15 East, in the vicinity of Little Pass, City of Clearwater. Information disclosed that the area included within the bulkhead line had previously been conveyed by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund, filled by the owners, and subsequently eroded. A permanent type bulkhead would be constructed to protect the area.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees give formal approval to the bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on November 17, 1958, at Little Pass in the City of Clearwater.

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#### LEASES, EASEMENTS, PERMITS

GLADES COUNTY: Wendell Click, holder of Grazing Lease No. 921 which expired February 1, 1959, requested 5-year renewal of the lease which covers 180 acres of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom land in Sections 22 and 23, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, at rental of \$90.00 per year. Mr. Ferguson recommended that, inasmuch as the area was subject to flooding and levee construction was in prospect, new lease be granted with the same rental but with provisions for cancellation by Trustees or reduction in area if any part of the land was required for public purposes.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that 5-year lease renewal from expiration date of February 1, 1959, be granted to Mr. Click at same rental, but with the provisions for cancellation as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees grant request of the State Road Department for a perpetual easement for public road right of way purposes across the submerged lands between Government Lots 6 and 1 of Section 29, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Middle Torch Key.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and unanimously adopted that the Trustees grant request of the South Florida Conservancy District for an easement for the construction and maintenance of a levee across reclaimed bottoms in Lake Okeechobee in Sections 18 and 19, Township 43 South, Range 35 East.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Green and unanimously adopted that the Trustees approve the dredge and fill permit No. DFB7 issued March 19, 1959 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in favor of Lido-Pinellas Corporation, to fill an area purchases from the Trustees on September 16, 1958.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: The State Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission requested approval and concurrence of Trustees in an agreement of the Commission with Finley P. Smith, Inc., and Dewey Burrell modifying one clause in original lease dated May 20, 1958 to the Smith firm, and assigning the lease to Mr. Burrell. The Director explained the modification desired and stated that the new agreement included acceptance of the lease provisions and was executed by the three parties.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in agreement as requested by the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

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DADE COUNTY: On December 30, 1958 the Trustees, on request of Commonwealth Oil Company and Coastal Petroleum Company, agreed to certain modifications of drilling provisions as to Leases 1055 and 340-340A. J. L. McCord of Commonwealth Oil Company advised the Trustees that by reason of weather conditions which had prevented construction of access road to the drilling site for the well referred to under "(1)" of Trustees' minutes of December 30th, request was made for extension of time for commencement of this well without change of other provisions as modified on said date.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the Trustees grant extension not to exceed 30 calendar days from April 14th for commencement of well under Lease 1055, without change of any other condition heretofore modified on December 30, 1958.

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MONROE COUNTY: Joseph Kelleher requested release of the oil and minerals reserved by the Trustees affecting land purchased by the Trustees from the State under the Murphy Act (Deed No. 03-Chapter 21684) and subsequently conveyed to Mr. Kelleher subject to the reservation in Deed No. 20278, described as N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the North 26.88 acres of Government Lot 2, in Section 18, Township 59 South, Range 41 East, comprising 46.88 acres. Mr. Kelleher seeks to give the land on Key Largo to the University of Miami, which is unable to secure title insurance by reason of the reservation.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and duly adopted, that the Trustees approve release of the reservations for the reasons stated, and that the matter be referred to the Attorney General for preparation of the proper instrument.

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MONROE COUNTY: On February 17, 1959 the Trustees authorized permit to Roger Lee, operator of fish camp southerly of Jewfish Bridge on U. S. Highway No. 1, for erection of a sign on state land, as it was reported that Harry Gilbert had agreed to relinquish one of the three signs allowed him by the Trustees under Permit issued February 6, 1958, now pending renewal, thereby keeping down the total number of advertising signs on said road.

Mr. Lee and Mr. Gilbert, operating competitive fish camps in the same area, were present and made statements and displayed pictures to show hardship due to the location of their camps not being visible to the traveling public unless signs of sufficient number and size were allowed. Mr. Gilbert also claimed that without additional signs and highway markings, there was a great traffic hazard at the site of his turnout.

The Director stated that no discrimination was intended and each permit was authorized with a 60-day cancellation clause.

Following a conference with Mr. Don Livingstone, Governor's Administrative Assistant, Mr. Gene Fisher of the State Road Department, Mr. Lee and Mr. Gilbert, agreement was reached that only one highway sign on state land would be allowed for each camp, location to be decided upon by the Director.

Motion was made and adopted that permit to Mr. Gilbert issued in 1958 be cancelled, permit authorized on February 17, 1959 to Mr. Lee be not delivered, and that permits with a 60-day cancellation clause be authorized in favor of Messrs. Gilbert and Lee to maintain one sign not to exceed 10 feet by 20 feet each, on state land in a location approved by Mr. Ferguson and the State Road Department's Director of Outdoor Advertising, with annual rental fixed at \$50.00 for each permit.

SARASOTA COUNTY: Request was submitted from Hyde Park Drainage District by T. R. Taylor, Secretary, that the Trustees, acting as Board of Drainage Commissioners of the State, appoint Charles Dempsey as Supervisor with term to expire at date of annual meeting of landowners in 1960, and that Robert Hughes be appointed Supervisor for term ending at date of annual meeting in 1961, the two men having been designated at the district's annual meetings of October 22, 1957 and October 21, 1958, respectively, neither of which meetings had a quorum of landowners present.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that the two appointments each be made as requested effective as of the date of the annual meeting at which each was designated Supervisor by the Hyde Park Drainage District members present, and he further recommended that minutes of the Trustees' action and other actions taken by the Trustees as the Board of Drainage Commissioners be included in the Trustees' minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and unanimously adopted that the Trustees accept the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

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TRUSTEES - STATE LAND OFFICE: Information was furnished that space on main floor of the Capitol, recently vacated by Division of Corrections, will be partly occupied by the State Department of Agriculture which had agreed to allow one-half of the larger room to the Trustees and State Land Office for the Trustees' Auditor, his assistant, and certain files. The Director stated that use of the area would be advantageous to the office, that partition of the large room and repainting would be necessary, and recommended that the Trustees pay one-half of the estimated cost, \$581.20.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and duly adopted, that use of the space as described be authorized, and that the Trustees authorize payment of one-half the cost of remodeling, amounting to approximately \$290.60.

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Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale for \$5.00 of a manual typewriter, approximately 15 years old, surplus property of the Trustees' office, to Miss Jentye Dedge, employee of the office who retired this month, subject to approval by the State Purchasing Commission.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 717 listing 5 bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of deeds pertaining thereto; also that the Trustees approve issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 2233-Duplicate to Betty M. M. Bivens which had been approved by the Attorney General's Office.

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CITRUS COUNTY: Mary M. Tegder, former owner on June 9, 1939, offered \$400.00, the regular base bid amount, for conveyance under Chapter 28317 of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 18 East, Citrus County. Application showed compliance with the Hardship Act.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that the Trustees authorize the conveyance to applicant at the price offered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*LeRoy Collins*  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

*Van H. Ferguson*  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 1, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12. The Trustees considered the application by the City of Dunedin for approval of bulkhead line and grant of three parcels of land on Honeymoon Island, Caladesi Island, and in St. Joseph Sound, on which a hearing was held on March 4th; and a telegram from the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority was read by Attorney General Ervin, who stated that he felt questions were raised which required further study.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Comptroller Green and adopted, that the matter be deferred until April 14th.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 288-52-253.12 - Horace Hamlin, Jr., represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, requested approval of the bulkhead line in The Narrows established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on December 11, 1958, said line described as follows:

Begin at a point 1649.89 feet South and 1375.62 feet West of the NE corner of Section 13, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, and run N 2°39'02" W, 190.77 feet along the East Line of the R/W of the Intra-coastal Waterway; thence N 26°33'54" E., 1017.26 feet along said East Line; thence N 40°43'00" E, 1022.79 feet to End of Bulkhead Line.

Request was also made for confirmation of purchase application for a parcel of submerged land containing 5.85 acres in Sections 12 and 13, Township 30 South, Range 14 West, within the confines of the bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Authority approving the bulkhead line and sale of the submerged property was furnished the Trustees, and no objections were filed at the local hearing or with the Trustees.

Mr. W. S. Wightman furnished the aerial photographs requested by the Trustees on February 3rd and the Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line and confirmation of sale at the appraised price.



On motion by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the Pinellas Authority, and sale was confirmed in favor of Horace Hamlin, Jr., at the appraised price, \$350.00 per acre.

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APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 334-31-253.12 - Clinton B. Howard offered base bid of \$200.00 per acre for part of Marsh Island No. 2 in Indian River, Section 27, Township 31 South, Range 39 East, being that part of island each side of County Road right-of-way, south of and within 600 feet of right-of-way of State Road 510, within the established bulkhead line.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the unsold area on the island was estimated at 54 acres, the major part of the island was within perpetual spoil easement to the United States, and that under prospective improvement of channel of Intracoastal Waterway the mangrove island would probably be filled. He recommended that no further sales be made on the island until the contemplated channel improvement was completed and the U. S. no longer needed the area for spoil purposes.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director and deny the application of Mr. Howard.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 347-44-253.12. Ivan D. Baronofsky and wife, represented by E.R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 310-44-253.12. Arthur S. Manning offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 0.3 of an acre, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 357-44-253.12. E. W. Reed, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 27, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.14 acres, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 358-44-253.12. Lew Hewes and wife, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Doctor's Arm Bight in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.72 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the four parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: On March 17th the Trustees declined application from the City of Sarasota to purchase approximately 1.2 acres of right-of-way of the New Ringling Causeway, State Road No. 780, in Sarasota Bay, for a bait and refreshment concession to be erected under lease by the city.

The State Road Department tendered quitclaim of the parcel, which appeared to indicate its approval of the city's proposal.

The City advised that, in the interest of eliminating the commercial aspects, it proposed to construct and operate a comfort station and allow sales of items of convenience to fishermen using the bridge, and would like to acquire a parcel with authority to lease as a concession. Since the meeting on this date was held ahead of the announced hour, Kenneth Thompson, City Manager, was unable to present details of the new plan.

The Director recommended that in the event any operation was allowed, it should be clearly a public use with limitation of the commercial concession, possibly by lease rather than sale, and that the use be consistent with the road purpose.

The Trustees instructed the Director to meet with Mr. Thompson and work out details for consideration at the next meeting.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

MANATEE COUNTY: Information was presented to the Trustees that the City of Bradenton proposed extension of 1st Avenue West across submerged margin of Manatee River to connect with 15th Street West, and the city had entered into formal agreements whereunder the city would fill and convey to the riparian owners the submerged land between the proposed street extension and the upland owners, the maximum extension for private ownership to the street to be less than 90 feet. Also, the city desired to fill marginal to the street to enlarge the area of a pumping facility on an upland parcel northerly of the proposed street extension.

The city proposed to fill pursuant to the provisions in the 2nd paragraph of Section 253.12, F.S. 1957, under which lands filled by a political subdivision or city and not required exclusively for a public purpose may be conveyed by the Trustees to the riparian owners.

The Director recommended that the city be required to furnish the necessary evidence that filling has been completed, with maps and legal descriptions, and that

- (1) The city be authorized to proceed with the filling subject to procurement of U. S. Permit;
- (2) That upon completion of the filling the city will be entitled to receive an instrument of dedication or deed, for public purposes, covering the street extension so filled and the area to be filled to enlarge its pumping site; also deeds in favor of the riparian owners covering the area filled between the street extension and the private owners;
- (3) That a handling charge of \$10.00 be made for each of the instruments to be given to the city and private owners;

without advertisement.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the Director's recommendations be accepted as the action of the Board.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur in Florida Board of Forestry's 10-year lease to Quinnie Quincy Crews for residential purposes only on one acre in Section 19, Township 4 North,

Range 25 East, for lump sum of \$100.00, with option of renewal at same rental and other conditions as approved by the Forestry Board.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** On motion made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance in fee simple, pursuant to request by Palm Beach County, of a strip of land across the northerly side of Section 31, Township 43 South, Range 38 East, containing 2.64 acres, for public road right-of-way, and further authorized that Purchase Contract No. 21703 to Wedgeworth Farms, Inc., show the parcel excepted therefrom and credit allowed at time of final payment, purchaser having given consent in signed letter from George H. Wedgeworth.

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**SUMTER COUNTY:** Dayton L. Fulghum made application to restore, by pumping from the bottom of Lake Panasoffkee, a borrow area that was excavated landward of the original high water mark several years ago, in order to make an improved public bathing beach at his development in Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 22 East. The State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission endorsed the operation.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that permit be granted to Mr. Fulghum with no charge being made for the material.

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**GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK:** Option effective through December 31, 1958 purchased by City of Tallahassee August 13, 1958 for property owned by E. L. White and wife was assigned to Trustees October 15, 1958. On March 10th the Trustees referred the matter to the Attorney General for closing.

Attorney for Mr. and Mrs. White advised that owners no longer desire to dispose of the property, suitable living quarters elsewhere not being available.

Upon motion made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees directed that State Warrant in the sum of \$45,000.00, secured December 31, 1958, payable to Mr. and Mrs. White, be returned to the Comptroller for cancellation.

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**TRUSTEES' OFFICE:** The Director advised that Miss Jentye Dedge, Assistant Secretary to the Board, retired in March, and that her efficient, courteous assistance will be missed by the staff and the public.

Motion was offered by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson, and unanimously adopted, that recognition be given in the Minutes of the Trustees in appreciation of Miss Dedge's long and faithful service to the State.

On recommendation of the Director, the Trustees approved the designation of Mrs. Mary Clare Pichard as Assistant Secretary to the Trustees.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 718 listing 79 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act; also issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 603-Duplicate to Esther W. Airth and Okaloosa County Deed



No. 525-Corrective to Woodrow M. Melvin and wife, both of which deeds had been approved by the Attorney General's Office.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 14, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meetings of March 24th and April 1st, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

PROWARD COUNTY: Competitive sale previously held. On February 17, 1959, sale of Tracts 111 and 112 of Florida Fruit Lands Sub-division, Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, was confirmed by the Trustees on high bid of \$600.00 per acre mailed in by Vincent Brocato of Brooklyn, N. Y., the applicant having offered only \$250.00 per acre. The only bid made at the sale was \$550.00 per acre by Max I. Herschberg.

Mr. Brocato was allowed thirty (30) days in which to pay for deed or obtain contract, but withdrew his bid within that time, paying only cost of advertisement. Mr. Herschberg was no longer interested in purchasing the land, and bid of original applicant, Shao-Fen Chin, was considered low.

Motion was made and adopted that the two tracts be restored to the open list of lands for sale by competitive bidding.

BROWARD COUNTY: On February 17, 1959, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre from Donald A. Scios for Tract 80 in Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, containing 5 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Fort Lauderdale News and proof of publication was filed in the Land Office.

Competitive bids were filed with the Trustees and received on sale date, and high bid of \$560.00 per acre was made by J. H. Schmitt in the form of a personal check. In view of the fact that Mr. Schmitt had stopped payment on a check in the past, Comptroller Green stated that confirmation of this sale should be held up until

Mr. Schmitt had furnished a certified check for the amount of his bid. It was suggested that the State Marketing Bulletin be requested to include in notices of land sales directions for making bids by certified or cashier's checks.

Motion was made and adopted that confirmation of this sale be held up until high bidder furnished payment by certified or cashier's check.

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HOLMES COUNTY: On February 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$10.00 per acre from Major Warren V. Lawson for purchase of Government Lot 1 in Section 19, Township 5 North, Range 16 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Bonifay Advertiser and proof of publication filed in the Land Office.

Competitive bids were filed with the Trustees, and on the sale date high bid of \$45.00 per acre was made by Moie Tendrich for Al Warren.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees accept the highest bid offered and confirm sale in favor of Al Warren, who requested contract issued in favor of Moie Tendrich and A. Jay Cristol.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On March 4th the Trustees considered offer from Marvin Wherrell and wife, by G. E. Bryant, of \$100.00 per lot, or a total of \$300.00, for Lots 6, 8 and 12, Block 192, Town of Okeechobee, and the land was advertised for competitive bids in the Okeechobee News with proof of publication filed in the Land Office.

Competitive bids were filed with the Trustees, and on the advertised sale date applicant raised his offer to \$830.00 for the three lots, which was the highest bid received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the highest bid and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Wherrell, subject to outstanding municipal and drainage taxes and assessments.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 223-36-253.12. On February 17th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of a parcel of sub-merged land in Caloosahatchee River in Sections 23 and 26, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, containing 118.25 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line, on application by Abraham Zemel, abutting upland owner who offered \$80.00 per acre, the appraised price. The land was advertised for objections in the Fort Myers News Press, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by Louise and Donald Bass on the grounds of possible damage to their adjoining property. The Director recommended that objection be overruled and suggested that the objectors had the right to acquire sovereignty area adjacent to their upland.

Robert M. Ingle of State Board of Conservation informed the Board that Representative Walter O. Sheppard had asked for a survey report of the area and requested delay of the sale until investigation by the Conservation Board is completed.

Motion was made and adopted that objection by Mr. Bass be overruled, that sale be confirmed to Mr. Zemel at the price of \$100.00 per acre, which he stated he would pay, and that issuance of deed be withheld for 60 days and sale be subject to reconsideration and setting aside upon showing by the Conservation Department that it was contrary to the public interest.

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 301-41-253.12. On December 16, 1958, the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre from Peder Mickelsen & Son, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by John F. Venderipe, for purchase of three parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 14 and 20, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, containing 4.128 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line previously approved for the Town of Holmes Beach. The land was advertised for objections in the Bradenton Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. No objections to the sale were filed or presented.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the land advertised, in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 81-44-253.12. On July 8, 1958, the Trustees deferred action on sale to Floyd Lamb, abutting upland owner, of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 1.03 acres, more or less, for which he offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre.

Objections to sale of the parcel were filed by W. C. Shannon, C. P. Sadowski, Cecil A. Keith, Sr. and wife, Earl E. Gray, and Paul Z. Camp and wife. Based on advice from local surveyor and other information, the Director recommended that objections be overruled.

Representative Bernie C. Pay was present on behalf of the applicant, pointing out that the proposed purchase would allow Mr. Lamb to do only what adjoining property owners had already done by dredging and filling out to a bulkhead line for the area approved by the Trustees' staff.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the land to the applicant at the price offered, delivery of the deed to be withheld for 30 days from sale date to allow objectors to take legal action if desired.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 308-44-253.12. On February 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre, or the minimum charge of \$100.00, from Raymond M. Maloney, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, lying southwesterly of and abutting Lot 39, Block 46, of Maloney Subdivision, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were filed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of Mr. Maloney at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 323-44-253.12. On March 4th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Joseph Felton and wife, upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida lying westerly of and adjacent to part of Govt. Lot 2, Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.96 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale had been received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File 327-44-253.12. On March 4th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Clem Price and wife, upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Cow Key Channel, lying northwesterly of and adjacent to the northwest portion of Block 52 of Maloney Subdivision in Section 34, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 0.60 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 266-50-253.12. On March 4th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by George D. Lainhart and D. C. Lainhart, abutting upland owners, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 3, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, West Palm Beach, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 1 to 12 inclusive, Block 2, North Palm Beach Plat No. 1, containing 1.975 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

Protest was filed by Paulina A. Ruth, who felt that her property, 300 feet north of the application area, would be damaged. Because of objector's absence from the state and protest not appearing well founded, no objections having been received from the City of West Palm Beach, owner of adjacent property which is a city park, the Director recommended that the objection be overruled and deed be held for a period of time to allow objector to bring legal action upon her return, if desired.

The Governor suggested that the City of West Palm Beach be asked to furnish a letter for the file indicating no objection was made to the proposed sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the sale be confirmed in favor of the applicant at the price offered, that the deed be held for 60 days before delivery, and that the objector be notified, at the best address obtainable, of the action taken.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 329-50-253.12. On March 4 the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Fisher, Dickinson & Prior on behalf of Bruce W. Strong, Inc., of the appraised price of \$1,035.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 28, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting Lot 7, Block 1 of Revised Plat of Coconut Lodge Subdivision, containing 0.081 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line of the Town of Riviera Beach. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for to Bruce W. Strong, Inc., at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 251-11-253.12. Willis H. Yeamans, abutting upland owner represented by Smith & Carroll, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, containing 2.58 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line of the City of Naples, offering the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre.

Motion was made and adopted that advertisement of the parcel for objections only be approved, based on the offer submitted.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 307-41-253.12. Grimes & Grimes and W. K. Zewadski, Jr., filed joint applications for the purchase of certain submerged parcels landward of the established bulkhead

line for the Town of Holmes Beach in Section 33, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, described as follows: 16.61 acres, more or less, abutting the upland ownership of Mrs. Edith L. Zewadski; and 3.69 acres, more or less, abutting the upland ownership of Bay View Builders.

The Director reported that two appraisal figures differed widely, and William C. Grimes, present on behalf of both applicants, asked the Board for consideration in fixing an adjusted price.

Comptroller Green suggested that a value of \$500.00 per acre be set for the submerged area, which Mr. Grimes accepted on behalf of the applicants.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections, based on the offer of \$500.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY : File No. 350-44-253.12. Micheal Schweitzer, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.87 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement for objections, based on the offer submitted by Mr. Schweitzer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 359-44-253.12. Lloyd W. Dean, abutting owner, represented by Neblett, Youmans, Albury and Sauer, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Bogle Channel in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.80 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement for objections, based on the offer submitted by Mr. Dean.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 361-44-253.12. Emile George, et al, abutting upland owners represented by Neblett, Youmans, Albury and Sauer, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of 2 parcels of submerged land in Bogle Channel in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 2.15 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 337-48-253.36. J. E. Partin, abutting upland owner, represented by Elwood Phillips, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Conway bottom land in Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, containing 1.96 acres, more or less. Written approval of the conveyance was filed by the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the offer and authorize issuance of deed to Mr. Partin without advertising, in the usual manner as other Lake Conway sales.

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POLK COUNTY: The following applications for reclaimed Lake Bonny bottom land were submitted from abutting upland owners, with recommendation from the Director that they be approved for advertising and sale at not less than \$200.00 per acre, the lots being in the City of Lakeland near Main Street:

1. File No. 363-53-253.36. Florida Central Broadcasting Co., represented by A. R. Surles, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Bonny bottom land in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, containing 3.98 acres, more or less;

2. File No. 364-53-253.36. D. B. Ward, abutting upland owner represented by Holland, Bevis, McKae & Smith, offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Bonny bottom land in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, containing 9.3 acres, more or less;
3. File No. 366-53-253.36. Marquis Pickard and wife, represented by A. R. Surles, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Bonny bottom land in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, containing 1.31 acres, more or less.

Upon examination of map and aerial photograph, the Trustees felt that the location of the reclaimed Lake Bonny land justified a price of \$500.00 per acre.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the parcels applied for be advertised for objections, subject to applicants accepting \$500.00 per acre as the sale price.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File Nos. 148-56-253.12 and 149-56-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees approved the bulkhead line for certain submerged land in the Indian River in Section 2, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, in the City of Fort Pierce, and offered to sell at \$629.00 per acre the 98.58 acres applied for by Fort Pierce Port & Terminal Company and the 15.52 acres applied for by Causeway Trailer Court, Inc., both abutting upland owners being represented by M. A. Ramsey, subject to advertisement for objections only.

The Director advised that applicants have agreed to pay the price set, and recommended that sale be subject to their clearing with the United States any spoil easements involved.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the submerged lands applied for, based on \$629.00 per acre offered, sale to be subject to applicant filing with the Trustees the information recommended by the Director as to spoil easements.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: On April 1st the Trustees instructed the Director to confer with the City Manager of Sarasota concerning the application of the city to purchase approximately 1.2 acres of sovereignty land in Sarasota Bay, in Section 25, Township 36 South, Range 17 East. The parcel was part of the right of way granted October 12th 1956 to the State Road Department for the new Ringling Causeway and bridge, and the city proposed it as a site for public comfort station and location for sale of items of convenience to fishermen using the bridge. The State Road Department had tendered quitclaim of the area, retaining 100 feet from the road and bridge centerline.

The city's original application to acquire the parcel included proposal to lease for concession, which the Trustees rejected on March 17th.

The Director recommended acceptance of the State Road Department's quitclaim deed; that the Trustees' title be retained and leased to the city for public purposes only consistent with the highway use, including the right to sell items of convenience to fishermen using the bridge, such lease to be for nominal consideration and continue in effect as long as used for the municipal purpose; that lease contain covenants covering the limited use; that no buildings be erected within 120 feet of road centerline; that the use and operation should comply with requirements of the State Board of Health; and that requirements of the State Road Department be met as to not disturbing the fill now in place and allowing ingress and egress for maintenance of the fill; also provision for termination of the lease in the event of non-use for 2 consecutive years or failure to comply with covenants of the lease.



Attorney General was agreeable to lease for operation by the city, and Governor Collins stated that lease should not be assigned to commercial use.

6 Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin and adopted, that lease be approved so long as the area should be kept in public use for the city as a municipal facility, charge to be \$10.00 per year, and that Director's recommendations be approved as action of the Board.

#### BULKHEAD LINES

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 352-41-253.12. Formal approval by the Trustees was requested for the bulkhead line established by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Anna Maria in meeting December 1, 1958 along the shore line of the city bordering on Anna Maria Bayou and Tampa Bay in Sections 7, 17 and 18, Township 34 South, Range 16 East.

Also, T. A. McKay and Eddie R. Riley, abutting upland owners, offered \$110.00 per acre (appraisal being 175.00 per acre, however) for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Anna Maria Bayou in Section 17, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, containing 4.246 acres, more or less, within the above described bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees give formal approval to the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Anna Maria, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for subject to acceptance by the applicant of the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12. Attorney General Ervin reported on the conferences had at the suggestion of the Board, following the hearing on March 4th on the City of Dunedin's application (presented January 13, 1959) for grant of three tracts of submerged land in St. Joseph Sound and request for formal approval of the bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in meeting on November 17, 1958, for the area of Honeymoon and Caladesi Islands. It was Mr. Ervin's opinion that because of exemptions in the Act which allow cities to construct, with consent of the Trustees, public projects in submerged waters and sovereignty lands, the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority had no authority to direct regulations insofar as filling of the area within the bulkhead line was concerned, which would necessitate safeguards and additional burden on the Trustees to approve plans for the proposed filling and development of the large area in the city's application to be sure that the fill would not injure navigation and private and public interests.

Mr. Ervin further reported that certain concessions had been granted by Curlew Properties, the developer, including agreement to provide and turn over to the city a public beach 2,500 feet wide fronting on the Gulf and 300 feet deep, an area for location of police, fire station and such municipal facilities for protection of the proposed housing development on the island, additional strips dedicated on each side of the causeway, public easements 10 feet wide at intervals of at least every 3,000 feet on the Gulf side of the development. Details remained to be worked out as amendments to the contract between the city and the developer, but it appeared that no further changes or concessions could be accomplished. The Attorney General stated that he was ready to recommend the proposed bulkhead line and grant of land.

S. E. Simmons, special counsel for the City of Dunedin, stated that plans were to model the causeway in line with the Sunshine Causeway, all plans to be approved by the State Road Department, and no commercial projects on it were contemplated.

Adrian Bacon, attorney for the developer, mentioned the work on project plans by Coastal Engineering Laboratory, engineers employed by his client, and Corps of Engineers' permit to be obtained as to navigation, and agreed with the suggestion of Mr. Ervin that the Trustees call on the county and its engineering staff for consultation when the fill and construction plans are considered for approval by the Trustees. He explained that there was a provision in the contract requiring developer to post performance bond to assure the construction of the causeway, and stated that now it was merely a matter of mechanics to amend the contract to be approved by the Attorney General before delivery of the deed.

The Director called attention of the Board to the supplemental channel for Big Pass which should be provided, particularly in view of the proposed development of Randolph Fill and Moonshine Island, any dredging areas for obtaining fill material beyond the bulkhead line, and whether or not the State School Fund was to receive the customary 25% value of state lands sold. The Attorney General's opinion was that since no money was coming to the Trustees, there would be no payment to the School Fund.

Haddon Johnson, president of Dunedin Civic Association, Inc., emphasized his group's opposition to excessive fills and conveyance of so large a parcel of sovereignty land, and pointed out that in Clearwater in October, at the hearing on the bulkhead line, it was expected that later there would be public local hearings on the application for dredge and fill permit.

Knight G. Aulsbrook, representing Alliance for Conservation of Natural Resources of Pinellas County and civic associations, displayed a map to point out the great size of the application area, spoke of the responsibility of the Trustees to look toward the future in reserving areas for public use, and requested that critical attention be given to all features of the fill plan.

Since the City of Dunedin had been unable to finance a free public causeway until it became possible under its contract with Curlew Properties, Inc., the private development being an integral part of the project, the Trustees felt that objections of the Board of Conservation, civic and other groups were outweighed by favorable considerations, and the Trustees took the position of approving the application, mechanical details of the contract to be worked out in a way that would not impede the financing of the project and for approval by the Attorney General. The Trustees expressed appreciation to those representing city, developer and objectors for their help in reaching an ultimate decision which it was hoped was in the public interest, and had secured the most possible from the developer for public beach and areas to be dedicated to the public.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and unanimously adopted, that the Trustees approve the application of the City of Dunedin for bulkhead line and conveyance of the submerged land applied for, with provisions made to insure the 2,500 foot Gulf Beach with 300 foot depth, additional area for municipal facilities such as police and fire protection on the island, additional strips dedicated on each side of the causeway, public or pedestrian easements for access to the shore on the Gulf side of the development, and that a contract be entered into covering the subject matter with the city together with the grant of the submerged lands applied for with right reserved in the Trustees to approve the plan of fills and development, our staff consulting with the county and its engineering staff.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Trustees deferred, without prejudice, consideration of the bulkhead line of the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore fixed December 11, 1958 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority. The Director pointed out that the line was further offshore than was anticipated, the line was not clearly coordinated with the intended county-wide bulkhead lines, expression was needed from the West Coast Inland Navigation District, and certain other points needed clarification.

SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line fixed for the City of Venice by Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority by Resolution adopted March 11, 1959, the line having been fixed under Chapter 57-1853 and 57-362 and conforming to the line designated by the City of Venice in its Ordinance No. 307 adopted October 14, 1958.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line for the City of Venice as recommended.

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MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: Ella Jo Stollberg on behalf of W. B. Heidt and Jennie H. Heidt, grantees in Trustees' Deed No. 27-B-32 (Chapter 14717) requested quitclaim deed reciting that Trustees claim no right, title or interest in any lands by virtue of Drainage Tax Certificate No. 4215 dated August 1, 1927 issued by Broward County Tax Collector. Said certificate showed an incomplete description.

Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed in favor of W. B. Heidt and Jennie H. Heidt as requested.

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DADE COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that Trustees grant temporary easement, to expire April 15, 1963, to the State Road Department for a dredging area in Sections 19, 20 and 21, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, for material to be used on construction of the 36th Street Causeway across Biscayne Bay.

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MARION COUNTY: Director recommended that the Trustees enter into formal agreement with Fred D. H. MacKenzie under which he shall install concrete bridge in causeway between mainland and Island No. 1 now called Timucuan Island, and to pay at standard yardage rate for all material taken from lake bottom other than that for causeway construction, the unpaid account being represented by Mr. MacKenzie at \$2,200.00 for 80,000 cubic yards, with provision that settlement shall not obligate Trustees to grant deed to unreclaimed lake bottom which may have been filled; and the agreement secured by surety bond of \$15,000, by reason of possible need for comprehensive surveys to determine yardage taken and whether overfilling has or may occur, accounting and settlement on or before June 30, 1960. The Director also recommended that should MacKenzie fail to comply, the Attorney General be directed to bring legal action to enjoin further dredging of the lake and to collect sums due the Trustees, including authorization of procurement of title reports and surveys needed for prosecuting recovery of all sums due.

On behalf of Mr. MacKenzie, John M. Green told of the work his client had done to develop a beautiful island for residential use on Lake Weir, and stated that a bridge would be built if required by the Trustees, but that the requested bond would be a hardship.

Mr. Mayo stated that the bridge in the causeway should be constructed to connect the two waters.

Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, raised the serious question of whether overfill has been made on unreclaimed lake bottom land.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the Trustees enter into formal agreement with Mr. MacKenzie for bridge, payment for material used, and that Commissioner Mayo, Comptroller Green and Mr. McLane negotiate with MacKenzie and his attorney to set out definite obligations in said agreement, report to be made to the Board at a later meeting.



MONROE COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of refund of purchase price to Lee and Louise Shields, by reason of failure of title to an un-named island containing 0.7 acre in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 30 East, which was sold to the Shields' predecessors by Trustees' Deed No. 20052 dated May 26, 1952 for \$357.00, the area having been subsequently surveyed by the U. S., declared not state sovereignty land, and title purchased by Mr. Shields from the United States.

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MONROE COUNTY: On January 27th the Trustees considered request for vacating action of February 13, 1957 withdrawing mangrove and sovereignty areas easterly of U. S. Highway No. 1 to allow desirable development.

The Director reported that the Boards of the State Road Department and Florida Parks & Historic Memorials have advised that no objections were made to development of the area, and the following recommendations were made by the Director:

1. That the withdrawal order of February 13, 1957 be vacated only as to a sovereignty area one mile in length northerly and southerly, east of right of way of U. S. Highway No. 1, the northerly limit of the 1-mile area to be southerly of and within one mile of Division Point, and such area made open for application for purchase at competitive public sales, there being no upland other than the highway;
2. That sales be restricted to sovereignty areas at least 500 feet easterly from centerline of U. S. No. 1 except only strips for access to the highway at locations to be approved by State Road Department;
3. That the Trustees require filling and development plans to be submitted for approval before granting any permit to fill.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the recommendations of Mr. Ferguson be accepted as action of the Board.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: James A. Horton, represented by W. L. Hendry, requested quitclaim of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 248, first Addition to Osceola, title to said lots having been clouded by an erroneous description by the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Murphy Act Certificate No. 414 of 1920, which certificate was included with others when the land correctly described was conveyed to the Trustees in Deed No. 04-Chapter 21684 dated December 15, 1950. There was no evidence of reversion of the above numbered lots or of any interest of the state in the lots.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that quitclaim deed be authorized as requested.

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ORANGE COUNTY: Lake Maitland Suit. At request of Attorney General Ervin, Ralph M. McLane reported that in the process of settling litigation, it was stipulated that the Trustees would issue quitclaim deed to Elmer V. Adams and wife to lands lying landward from the contour line.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that authority be granted by the Trustees for issuance and delivery of the quitclaim deed when all things have been accomplished as required of the Adams.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Ethel E. King, represented by Ford L. Thompson, applied for substitute deed for Trustees' Deed No. 18267 dated December 29, 1934 conveying two sovereignty islands in Section 22, Township 28 South, Range 15 East with faulty descriptions due to inaccuracies in survey furnished the Trustees in 1934.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that substitute deed be issued to Miss King as requested, for the usual charge of \$10.00, plus recording fees.

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PUTNAM AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur, as requested by the Florida Board of Forestry, in the following:

1. Easement of Florida Forestry Board to Houston Texas Gas & Oil Corporation covering 50-foot right of way across 10-acre Putnam County Headquarters Site in Section 16, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, for 50-year term, consideration to be \$156.00.
2. Open Well Sawtimber Pulpwood Sale - 300 acres in Section 12, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, Santa Rosa County, in Blackwater River State Forest.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that authority be granted to issue corrective deed for the usual charge of \$10.00, on request of Senator E. W. Gautier on behalf of Murray Sams, grantee, to correct an error in description in Trustees' Deed No. 17781-A dated March 18, 1931.

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EROSION: Mrs. H.D.K. Stanford, on behalf of Manatee, Sarasota, Pinellas, Charlotte and Lee Counties and certain associations concerned with erosion control on the Gulf Coast, requested the assistance by the Trustees in financing preliminary feasibility report for a program of artificial nourishment of the beaches and shore areas and replenishing eroded areas by pumping onto them spoil material dredged by the Intracoastal Waterway in its scheduled operations to improve navigation. She urged the Trustees to help obtain firm commitment of the spoil material whereby the sand would be placed on beach and shore areas to control erosion.

Recognizing the seriousness of the erosion problem and the enormous benefit to state and private lands if such a program could be worked out, the Trustees went on record as approving the basic idea being promoted here, but felt that no commitment for financing could be made until it was known what could be expected at the local level, and the Board directed Mr. Ferguson to convey that approval to the appropriate federal authorities and to obtain from them information as to the type feasibility report required and the steps necessary to consummate a program of replenishing eroded areas with material dredged by the Corps of Engineers.

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EQUIPMENT: For use of Space Allocator, Board of Commissioners of State Institutions. - Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve purchase of an adding machine listed at \$315.00 (net price \$283.50) for use in the office of W. F. Armstrong, Space Allocator, this expense to be made on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions for reimbursement to the Trustees.

At the request of Treasurer Larson of the Building Committee, report was made by Robert Brown on contractor's bids for alterations to Treasurer's and Attorney General's offices in the north wing of the Capitol. It was pointed out that additional work was found to be necessary, which would require an increase in the amount authorized by the Trustees on March 4th.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve recommendation of the Building Committee, accept low bid by Rowell-Samford, Inc., of \$22,421.00, and authorize entering into contract and expenditure of Trustees' funds in said amount for the requested alterations, it being understood that the amount covered architect's fees, plans, specifications, construction work, and all lighting, plumbing, air-conditioning for the offices.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 719 listing 3 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act.

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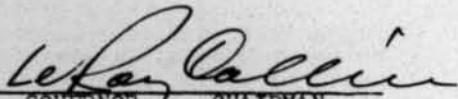
The Director advised that many applicants for release of the oil and mineral reservation on lands that were platted during the boom time, commonly referred to as "paper subdivisions", said lands having reverted to the state and having been conveyed under the Murphy Act, misinterpret the meaning of releases of such reservation where no buildings are erected or proposed to be erected. It was recommended that paragraph 3(b) of the requirements previously adopted by the Trustees be amended as follows:

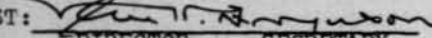
1. Delete the words "and open for travel";
2. After the word "sold", add "and have buildings thereon or on which buildings are proposed to be erected".

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the recommended changes in the regulations for release of oil and mineral reservations in Murphy Act deeds.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 21, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 323-44-253.12. The Director called attention to a sale approved on April 14th in favor of Joseph Felton and wife, upland riparian owners, covering a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, and advised that an objection had been filed by Mrs. Neal J. Hardy on behalf of herself and husband, owners of adjacent upland and sovereignty area (filled) adjacent to the area in the Felton application.

Upon examination of the maps and plats filed, and consideration of the objection, it was the recommendation of the Director and the opinion of the Trustees that the grounds for protest were not valid, the Felton application not extending as far from shore as the sale previously made to Hardy but conforming to the filling done by Hardy.

Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that objections be overruled and sale confirmed to Mr. Felton at the price offered, \$200.00 per acre, and that delivery of deed be withheld for 30 days, delivery then to be made if objector had not brought legal action to enjoin.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 224-52-253.12. Dr. Fred McMullen and wife, upland owners represented by Wightman, Rowe and Tanney, requested approval of bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on August 14, 1958, and application approved by the Authority on the same date for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 16, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, in Pinellas County. There were filed in the Trustees' office survey maps showing the Davis Causeway right of way and letter from State Road Department disclaiming interest in the submerged land involved, and the Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line and sale.

On September 23, 1958 and on January 20, 1959, the Trustees had deferred action on this application until the over-all bulkhead line for Pinellas County was established by the Authority, and the Board expressed unwillingness to approve the McMullen application until that had been done.

William Wightman, on behalf of the applicant, urged approval by the Trustees, stating that no objections were filed at the local level or with the Trustees, and the Authority had approved the McMullen bulkhead line and application to purchase.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that action on the application be deferred, and that the Director be instructed to obtain from Pinellas Authority an expression in writing that the McMullen bulkhead line was an integral part of an over-all line which had been surveyed by the county and would definitely be established and formalized in the manner prescribed by Chapter 57-362, in the course of time.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 278-52-253.12. Bay Bluffs Estates, Inc., upland riparian owners represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, requested approval by the Trustees of a bulkhead line approved by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on January 8, 1959, and (approved on the same date by Authority) the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 17, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, for which offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre was made. No objections were filed to the sale, which was advertised by the Authority for sale on January 20th but application was not received in Trustees' office until March 23rd.

The land being in the same category and area as the McMullen application, motion was made and unanimously adopted that action be deferred and that the Director be instructed to obtain from Pinellas Authority an expression in writing that the Bay Bluffs bulkhead line

was an integral part of an over-all line which had been surveyed by the county and would be definitely established and formalized in the manner prescribed by Chapter 57-362, in the course of time.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 257-52-253.12. On January 20th the Trustees deferred action on application of M. B. Young and wife, upland owners represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, for approval of bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Authority on December 11, 1958 and the purchase (approved on the same date by the Authority) of a parcel of submerged land in easterly side of "The Narrows" in Section 7, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, comprising 11.1 acres, more or less.

Mr. Wightman furnished an aerial photograph of the area, which was requested by Governor Collins to more clearly show the nature of the mangrove and shore conditions, and Comptroller Green felt that the proposed bulkhead line, sale and contemplated filling would be a helpful development.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as requested and confirm sale to Mr. Young and wife at the price offered, \$350.00 per acre, the appraised value.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

**LEE COUNTY:** File No. 195-36-253.12. Ralph G. Turner offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for an offshore sovereignty sandbar and mangrove area, with adjacent submerged land to total 5 acres, in Matlacha Pass approximately 4,200 feet from the nearest upland, located in Section 31, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, within bulkhead line fixed by Board of County Commissioners of Lee County on April 8, 1959.

The applicant proposed to use the site for a fishing camp and had incurred costs, in securing accurate survey, in the sum of \$528.80 for which he should be reimbursed in the event he is not the successful bidder at public sale, following the procedure authorized by the Trustees on September 16, 1958.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by Lee County, and authorize the land advertised for competitive bids and objections, the notice of sale to include statement that the highest bidder (if not the applicant) will be required to reimburse the sum of \$528.80 survey costs, in addition to his bid.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged lands riparian to their ownerships:

1. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 353-44-253.12. Joe H. Wildermuth offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Bonefish Bay in Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key, containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less.
2. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 368-44-253.12. Lawrence Wilkins offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 1.60 acres, more or less.
3. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 370-44-253.12. James L. Ribble offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 373-44-253.12. Ramon De Filippo and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 374-44-253.12. Albert F. Mende and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.57 of an acre, more or less.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 375-44-253.12. Edward L. Mitchell, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.40 acres, more or less.
7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 376-44-253.12. George L. Stapleton, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.70 acres, more or less.
8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 378-44-253.12. Charles S. Roberts, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Upper Matecumbe Key containing a total of 1.64 acres, the first parcel located in the Bay of Florida in Section 32-63-37, and the second parcel in the Straits of Florida in Section 5-64-37.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the eight (8) applications listed, subject to advertisement of the land described for objections only based on the offers submitted.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

CITRUS COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Florida Board of Forestry's Pear Orchard Timber sale covering approximately 100 acres in Sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, Withlacoochee State Forest, the Director advising that conditions of sale have been examined and sale advertised for competitive sealed bids.

CLAY COUNTY: On motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance for the nominal charge of \$10.00 of a disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, pursuant to request of J. C. Sapp on behalf of W. P. Scott and wife, covering a parcel of land filled in 1946, abutting the Clarke Mill Grant in Township 6 South, Range 26 East, containing approximately 0.7 of an acre.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Phillip J. Hughes, engineer for Highland Park Estates, applied for permission to improve, by pumping sand from bottoms of Lake Istokpoga, two public beach areas on the westerly shore of said lake in Section 22, Township 36 South, Range 30 East. Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District and the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission endorsed the proposed work, and the Director recommended that permit be granted with no charge made for the material.



Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that the Trustees approve recommendation of the Director and authorize permit to Highland Park Estates.

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MARION COUNTY: The Trustees considered the subject which was discussed at the meeting of April 14th, of the filling on Island No. 1, also known as "Bird" and "Timucuan" Island, in Lake Weir by Fred D. H. MacKenzie, payment for the material he had used, construction of bridge in causeway to be secured by a performance bond, and probable overfilling on unreclaimed lake bottom.

Commissioner Mayo stated that after having a conference with Mr. MacKenzie and visiting the island, it was evident to him that much filling had been made, that only a survey could determine whether overfilling had been done. MacKenzie had sold many lots, and the bridge in the causeway should be required by the Trustees as well as payment for the material used.

It was the opinion of the Board that more land had been filled and platted as lots than was covered by the Disclaimer issued to Mr. MacKenzie in 1957, and that before all lots were sold the Trustees should secure by some kind of lien their interest in the area, if any, not covered by the disclaimer.

Governor Collins asked Mr. McLane if the public could be put on notice that an undetermined part of the area was not included in the disclaimer under which Mr. MacKenzie held title.

Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, suggested that an instrument might be put on record that the Trustees have issued a disclaimer on the island only to the ordinary high water mark, putting any purchaser on notice that the Trustees have a claim on any portion of land beyond the ordinary high water mark, which he felt would put the burden of proof on the purchaser to clear title on his land.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees approve the suggestion, and the matter be referred to the Attorney General for preparing the proper instrument for recording.

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MONROE COUNTY: On April 14th the Trustees approved refund of purchase price of \$357.00 to Lee and Louise Shields, owners of 0.7 acre in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 30 East, which was conveyed to their predecessor in Trustees' Deed No. 20052 May 28, 1952, but subsequently was determined by U. S. Survey to be not sovereignty land.

The Director recommended amendment of action of the previous meeting to allow refund to be made to Samuel A. Boyer, The Dale Miller Realty Company, and Jeanne R. Ludington, the original grantees in Deed No. 20052, to comply with Section 253.29 F.S. which requires refund for failure of title to be payable only to Trustees' grantees.

It was so ordered.

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MONROE COUNTY: Representative Bernie Papy, on behalf of Alonzo Cothron, requested sand lease covering an area not riparian to any upland, in the Straits of Florida in Section 29, Township 64 South, Range 35 East.

Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted that the lease be approved subject to the Director checking into the matter and working out the details, Mr. Papy having made the request without the Staff having opportunity to prepare a recommendation.

POLK COUNTY: Request was submitted from Wahneta Drainage District, by W. J. Touchton, Secretary, that the Trustees acting as the Board of Drainage Commissioners of the State, appoint John B. Thornhill as Supervisor to succeed himself for 3-year term beginning April 13, 1959, date of the meeting of the district land-owners when there was not a quorum of the membership present.

Motion was made and adopted that John B. Thornhill be appointed as requested.

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COASTAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY: Dr. Per Bruun present.

Mr. Ferguson stated that from time to time Governor Collins and others have urged increase in the technical staff of the Trustees' office, and that such would have been done if specialists of the type needed were available; that Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida is staffed with engineering specialists in the field of tidal and erosion problems and that these are being used; that even by great increase in the office budget more able assistance could not be had. The office approves the per diem and travel expense incurred by the Laboratory on work ordered by the Trustees, and state licenses for groins and other coastal structures are predicated upon the reports and recommendations of the Laboratory, the applicant being required to contract with the University and pay for the report used by the Trustees and made the basis of the state license. This has not been entirely satisfactory procedure for the University and Laboratory, and it was suggested that estimate of the cost be submitted to the Trustees' office by the Laboratory and the same referred to the applicant for payment to the University through the Trustees' office before the work is done for the report.

Dr. Per Bruun stated that the basic purpose of the Laboratory is research, but that the Laboratory is glad to handle such field jobs - but that the University does not provide funds for the purpose and the Laboratory is presently without state funds.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees' office secure estimates of cost from the Laboratory for work necessary in connection with applications and require the payment to be made before the work is performed by the Laboratory.

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LEGISLATION PENDING: The Director called to the attention of the Board the following bills affecting the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund which had been introduced into the House:

1. HOUSE BILL 267: Repeal of Sec. 253.48 Florida Statutes, which would deprive Trustees of right of reimbursement of \$304,150.97 for sums expended on Martin Building, repayment being authorized by above Statute in 1927.
2. HOUSE BILL 268: Cancellation of right of Trustees to reimbursement in sums of \$150,000.00 and \$459,863.76, expended by Trustees in the installation of air conditioning and elevator in North Wing of Capitol and renovation of old Senate and House Chambers.
3. HOUSE BILL 448: Establishment of bulkhead line would automatically vest upland riparian owner with title to sovereignty land to the bulkhead. Retroactive.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees go on record as opposed to House Bill 448.

SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

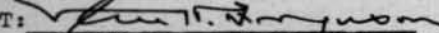
Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 720 listing 1 bid for purchase of land under Chapter 18296, and authorize execution of deed pertaining thereto.

ORANGE COUNTY: Mrs. Sina E. Goddard, widow of former owner, offered \$335.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act", of the North 30 feet of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  (less South  $\frac{3}{4}$  of West  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 3, Township 22 South, Range 29 East, comprising 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres. Application complied with the law and the offer made was the regular base bid amount.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance to Mrs. Goddard be authorized under Chapter 28317 for the price offered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 28, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR CONSIDERATION

MONROE COUNTY:

1. File No. 312-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Dr. Robert E. Shands, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 36, Township 65 South, Range 32 East, surrounding Government Lot 1 of said Section 36, containing 7.0 acres, more or less.
2. File No. 322-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from William J. Zeigler, abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Doctor's Arm Bight, Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Kay, lying southerly of and abutting Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block 4 of Punta Brisa Subdivision, containing 0.81 of an acre, more or less.
3. File No. 328-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Bjarne Ursin, abutting upland owner, represented by M. Ignatius Lester, for



purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Sections 16 and 21, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, lying westerly of and abutting Government Lot 4 in said Section 16 and the northerly 57.32 feet of Government Lot 1 in said Section 21, containing 17.5 acres, more or less.

4. File No. 331-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Micheal Schweitzer, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, lying westerly of and abutting the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 7 and all of Lot 8, Block "B" of Piney Point Subdivision, containing 0.85 of an acre, more or less.

5. File No. 332-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from W. E. Ball, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, lying westerly of and abutting Lot 5, Block "B" of Piney Point Subdivision, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less.

6. File No. 333-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Anthony J. Posey, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, lying westerly of and abutting Lot 4, Block "B" Piney Point Subdivision, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less.

7. File No. 335-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from J. Frank Roberts and May Crowe Gandolfo, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Spanish Harbor in Section 29, Township 66 South, Range 30 East, surrounding Government Lot 2 of said Section 29, containing 19.4 acres, more or less.

8. File No. 338-44-253.12. On March 10th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from D. B. White, abutting upland owner represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Cupon Bight in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting Lots 19 and 20, Block "E" of Piney Point Subdivision, containing 1.1 acres, more or less.

9. File No. 339-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Dan L. Navarro, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, lying southwesterly of and abutting the westerly one-half of Lot 37 and all of Lot 38 of Block 46, George L. McDonald's plat of Stock Island, containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less.

10. File No. 341-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Harold L. Paylor and wife, abutting upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Boca Chica Channel in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, lying easterly of and abutting Block 32 according to a plat of Stock Island recorded in Plat Book 1, page 55, Monroe County records, containing 3.7 acres, more or less.

11. File No. 343-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George C. Bolles et al, abutting upland owners represented by O. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting Tract 33 of Russell Estate, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.

12. File No. 344-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Vernon C. Hill

and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.68 of an acre, more or less.

The parcels described above, numbered 1, 2, 3, 7, 9 and 10, were advertised in the Key West Citizen, and those numbered 4, 5, 6, 8, 11 and 12 were advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proofs of publication were filed in the Trustees' Office. Descriptions of the parcels were called out and there were no objections filed or presented to any of the sales.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm the twelve (12) sales in favor of the applicants at the prices offered by each.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 300-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Thomas Clinton and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Key Vaca, containing 1.10 acres, more or less.

The parcel of bay bottom land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office.

Protests to the sale were received from J. B. Turner, A. L. Hare, R. S. Barrows, H. O. Matthews and G. W. Miller, on the grounds of possible damage to a navigation channel near the shore, used by riparian owners in the vicinity of the proposed sale, and the Director recommended that the sale be deferred until status of the channel had been investigated by the staff of the Trustees' Office.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer action on the proposed sale to Mr. Clinton as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 345-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from James H. Keene and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 36 East, Key Largo, lying southerly of and abutting Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 8 of Largo Beach, containing 0.69 of an acre, more or less.

The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office.

Protests to the sale were received from J. S. Cole, Al L. Fall, and O. W. Folmar on behalf of D. C. Fitzpatrick and Donald Heath, on the grounds that filling the parcel might damage a channel, cause debris to collect, and block their view. Since the applicant proposes to use the parcel as a boat basin rather than filling, the Director recommended that the objections be overruled.

It was moved and adopted that objections be overruled and sale confirmed in favor of Mr. Keene and wife, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 346-44-253.12. On March 17th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from A. C. Hornung and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, lying southeasterly of and abutting Lots 4 and 5, Block 1, Section 1 Key Heights Subdivision, containing 0.90 of an acre, more or less.

The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office.

Protest to the sale was received from Edward L. Semple on behalf of Mary E. L. Semple on the grounds that filling the parcel applied for would tend to force other riparian owners to purchase and fill also, to protect their view. Since the applicant proposes to use the parcel for a boat basin, rather than filling, the Director recommended that the objection be overruled.

Motion was made and adopted that objection be overruled and sale confirmed in favor of Mr. Hornung and wife at price offered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 213-52-253.12. On August 12, 1958 the Trustees deferred action on application of Paul F. Randolph, Trustee, represented by H. H. Baskin, Sr., for approval of bulkhead line and purchase of approximately 172.65 acres of submerged land adjacent to Moonshine Island, applicant's upland property, in St. Joseph's Sound in Sections 32 and 33, Township 28 South, Range 15 East, and Sections 4 and 5, Township 29 South, Range 15 East, within bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority June 26, 1958, on which date the Authority also gave favorable recommendation to the purchase.

The area was included in a recent study and report by Coastal Engineering Laboratory covering St. Joseph's Sound, Big Pass, Hurricane Pass, and anticipated filling and new causeway under the Dunedin application and the proposed causeway to Clearwater Beach through the proposed Randolph purchase. Closure of Hurricane Pass, the two causeways and filling were found to affect Big Pass and to require an improvement of said pass, and a new channel was recommended to separate the Randolph and Dunedin applications. Provision for new channel would require reduction of both the Randolph and City of Dunedin purchase areas and a coordinated plan for such channel.

A large number of protests were filed in 1958 before the Trustees acted upon the City of Dunedin-Curlew Properties application, some were filed more recently, and all objectors were sent notice of this meeting.

Warren Green, on behalf of Conservation Committee of Clearwater Federation of Civic Clubs and other groups, and W. E. Eigenmann, representing Clearwater Federation of Civic Clubs, Audubon Society, and others, were present and spoke in opposition to the Randolph fill; however, Mr. Eigenmann indicated that the proposition would receive more favorable local consideration if there were a guarantee that a causeway would be provided without cost to the city. After much discussion, the Director called attention to the fact that no plan for causeway had been presented by applicant and such did not enter into the application prepared for consideration at this time.

Lloyd M. Phillips, on behalf of the applicant, displayed maps and aerial photographs for examination by Trustees, explained that the City of Clearwater and Pinellas County Authority had approved the application, that his client had reached agreement with Dunedin-Curlew interests concerning improvement of the pass, and had agreed at the local public hearing to furnish fill for the causeway.

Cleveland Insko, Jr., speaking as a representative from the Mayor and City Commission of Clearwater, stated that it was represented to the city that a causeway would be provided.

The Trustees felt there had been some justification for the City of Dunedin project because of the public benefits, but pointed out that here no appreciable benefit to the general public was brought out, the developer had shown no plan for causeway or obligation for its construction other than the offer to furnish fill material, and this appeared to be only another fill around a relatively small amount of upland - in an area of the state where there was great opposition to further filling of submerged land.



Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and unanimously adopted, that the Trustees defer without prejudice the application of Mr. Randolph for bulkhead line and sale, and that the matter would be reconsidered if a reasonable proposition could be worked out for construction of the causeway and it could be shown that the City of Clearwater actually needs it.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

DADE COUNTY: File No. 362-13-253.12. W. Tracy Haverfield, abutting upland owner represented by Bruce L. Barfield, offered the appraised price of \$3,888.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 28, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 0.9 of an acre within the established bulkhead line.

Also, the City of Miami requested dedication without charge of a parcel of submerged land, 0.21 of an acre, northerly of and abutting the parcel applied for by Mr. Barfield, to be used for extension of St. Gaudens Road to the bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the two parcels be advertised for objections.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 302-36-253.12. John E. Price and wife, adjacent upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, containing 152.54 acres, more or less, and requested approval of the bulkhead line fixed by Lee County on November 19, 1958.

Mr. Price's original application for 169.9 acres was deferred by the Trustees February 3rd for Lee County to show bulkhead lines for more extensive areas, and the county, by Resolution dated February 18th, reaffirmed the John E. Price line and stated that future applications for establishment of bulkhead lines would conform to the Price line.

As the revised application did not extend out to the bulkhead line, it was suggested that the county reduce the line to correspond with Mr. Price's application, and it was the opinion of the Attorney General that reduction of the bulkhead line could be accomplished without readvertising and without holding further public hearings.

The action of the Trustees was to approve the application for bulkhead line and purchase subject to Lee County modifying the bulkhead line, and Mr. Ferguson was directed to request the county to amend the line by reducing it to correspond to the limit of Mr. Price's application.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 354-44-253.12. Max Levine offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Bonefish Bay in Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key, containing 0.7 of an acre, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 355-44-253.12. J. J. Jackson offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Bonefish Bay in Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 379-44-253.12. Gilbert de B. Hunt offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Bay of Florida in Section 24, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 382-44-253.12. M. Lewis Hall, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 14 and 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 8.14 acres, more or less.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 383-44-253.12. Marion C. Culver, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Sections 11 and 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 1.20 acres, more or less.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the five (5) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections, based on offers submitted.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Long Branch Timber Sale by the Florida Board of Forestry covering 700 acres in Sections 4, 5, 8, 9 and 16, Township 1 South, Range 16 West, Pine Log State Forest. The Director advised that conditions of sale were examined and sale was advertised for competitive sealed bids.

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY: Ed Pillsbury, representing Pillsbury Dredging Company, presented preliminary plans for a proposed development in the south end of Lemon Bay, and explained the company's plan as follows: to dredge material from the proposed Intracoastal Waterway Canal, to use the spoil material to build a row of islands 400 feet wide extending 13,000 feet parallel to the canal, making 250 lots, to furnish sea walls, certain bridges and a road 100 feet wide (which would be given to the county) the length of the islands.

The Director stated that dredging the canal would be a contribution to public welfare, but that in due time the Inland Navigation District would do that work and the material would be disposed of to improve nearby land areas. He said that the proposal would create new land areas and would completely alter the character and scenic beauty of the bay.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the preliminary map be filed with the Director, and, as the county had set no bulkhead lines for the area, it was suggested that Mr. Pillsbury take the matter up with the county before further consideration by the Trustees.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Charles S. Brick offered \$100.00 per year rental for lease of Panther Key in unsurveyed Township 53 South, Range 27 East, estimated to contain 20 acres, in an area which had not been surveyed by the United States.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees decline to lease Panther Key, as state ownership of the key is quite uncertain.

LEE COUNTY: The following report was made as information to the Board. The Attorney General, on behalf of Trustees, in actively defending suit for declaratory decree brought by C. A. Reif, who claimed land adjacent to a Government lot as a natural accretion, introduced affidavits from the Director of Florida Geological Survey, Photogrammetric Engineer of the State Road Department, and the Acting Engineer of the Trustees, as evidence that the area in question was erroneously omitted in the official U. S. surveys and the State cannot claim the tract comprising approximately 93 acres. Attorney General Ervin suggested that appropriate notice be given to the U. S. Bureau of Land Management concerning the litigation.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve the suggestion of the Attorney General and authorize notice to the United States regarding the litigation.

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LEE COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 21960 from Miriam W. Cannon to Allied Holding Company, Inc., as requested by Victor Levine of Miami.

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MARION COUNTY: On April 21st the Trustees considered the filling in Lake Weir on causeway and Island No. 1 by Fred D. H. MacKenzie under Disclaimer of 1957 from the Trustees. In a letter dated April 24th Mr. MacKenzie agreed to pay \$2,200 to cover sand which he had dredged, advised of arrangements he had made with James R. Gregg, contractor, for construction of the bridge in the causeway which he asked to be allowed to delay until November, 1959, tendered \$4,000 which he wished the Trustees to hold in escrow for the bridge. He stated that his fill had followed the firm shore line, but, in the event it should be determined he had encroached on state land, he offered to purchase any over-filled area as reclaimed lake bottom land at \$50.00 per acre.

The Trustees accepted checks totaling \$6,200.00, and it was Mr. McLane's suggestion that there should be a definite agreement entered into between Trustees and MacKenzie as to things necessary to be accomplished to clear up the situation. Mr. Ferguson stated that it was desirable to enable delivery of good title to all lots which had been sold.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Treasurer Larson and adopted, that a contract be executed by the Trustees and Mr. MacKenzie setting out (1) basis of the settlement of costs paid for the lands that have been filled to date, (2) that firm and binding contract will be entered into by Mr. MacKenzie prior to November 1, 1959 for construction of bridge as approved by Trustees, (3) that amount of payment for any overfill and any additional instruments required from the Trustees be arrived at prior to November 1, 1959. Also, the Trustees authorized expenditure by Mr. Ferguson of amounts necessary to obtain maps, aerial photographs and survey required to reach a determination of the proper description for the disclaimer, as well as the determination of the overfilled portion of the island.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Director presented request from Harry Gilbert that the Trustees modify action of March 24th to allow him two highway signs 12 ft. by 8 ft. in lieu of one sign 10 ft. by 20 ft. on state land, for advertising his fish camp in the Jewfish Creek area.

Motion was made and adopted that the request be denied, and action of the Board on March 24th was reaffirmed, allowing one sign each to Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Roger Lee, each sign not to exceed 10 ft. by 20 ft.



OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On March 24th the Trustees approved report of sale by the Clerk of Circuit Court of 6 lots and authorized issuance of deeds to the high bidders. The Clerk filed amended report of the sale, which showed that the former report represented not only the high bid but also the Clerk's commission and advertising costs, all of which had been remitted to the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the corrected report of the sale be approved, sales confirmed to high bidders, and that Clerk's fees and advertising costs be paid.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended permission be granted at no cost to H. H. Waskow to dredge in Lake Osborne to fill and improve certain reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, purchased from the Trustees in 1953. The applicant described the desired work as building up the elevation of his upland and removing saw grass and marsh, and it was reported that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission approved dredging in said lake.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director and authorize permit as requested.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: It was moved and adopted that the Trustees grant a perpetual easement to the State Road Department for drainage purposes in connection with construction of Lake Shore Drive near Pahokee, across four separate parcels of land in Section 33, Township 41 South, Range 37 East, subject to easements held by the United States.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority Fill Permit No. DF91 in favor of Waterways Building Corporation, successor in title to Mildred H. McAbey, Trustee, to fill area purchased from the Trustees October 14, 1958, under File No. 127-52-253.12.

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LEGISLATION: The Board of Commissioners of State Institutions on this date approved and consented to introduction in the Legislature of a bill relating to Seminole Indians, amending Chapter 285, Florida Statutes, by adding Section 285.14 authorizing said Board, as Trustee, to accept donations of and acquire property for Indians and adding Section 285.15 authorizing the granting of fishing and hunting privileges to the Indians by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.

Without objection, the Trustees approved and concurred in the action taken by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 721 listing five (5) regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize issuance of Taylor County Deed No. 447-Corrective to L. P. Gibson to correct error in description as approved by the Attorney General.

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MURPHY ACT PROCEDURE: The Director recommended amendment of Base Bid Rule (paragraph 3 of Guide of Procedure for Sale of Land under Chapter 18296) to provide that Clerks of the Circuit Courts would

obtain base bid from office of Trustees before processing applications to purchase, and that Clerks furnish information as to sizes of lots, whether in vicinity of roads, and other available information affecting current values.

Comptroller Green felt that the Trustees should inform the Clerks in regard to prices to be placed on the parcels under the Murphy Act, which have increased in value and should have a more current valuation placed on them when offered for sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize amendment of the Base Bid Rule to provide that Clerks furnish Trustees' office all descriptive information available, as recommended by the Director, and the present assessed valuation as shown on current tax rolls, and that the office then fix base bid to be used by Clerk in selling the Murphy Act land.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 5, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees dated April 14th and 21st, 1959, having been approved by the Attorney General and delivered to each member, were approved without objection.

BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended confirmation of sale of 5 acres of land described as Tract 80 in Section 34, Township 50 South, Range 39 East, to J. H. Schmitt on high bid of \$560.00 per acre made on April 14, 1959, on which date the Trustees deferred action to allow Mr. Schmitt to submit certified or cashier's check, which subsequently was received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the highest bid and confirm sale in favor of J. H. Schmitt.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

DADE COUNTY: File No. 356-13-253.12. Antonio Arias y Cardenas, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$2,500.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 29, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, containing 0.64 of an acre in the City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line.

The Trustees examined maps of the area and discussed the differing appraisals reported on the parcel, and the Governor suggested that a counter offer be made to Mr. Arias.

Motion was made and adopted that the land be offered to the applicant at \$2,500.00 for the parcel, and advertisement for objections was authorized.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 377-13-253.12. The Cromwell, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Shepard Broad, offered the appraised price of \$2,890.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, 1.25 acres in City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line.

Also, the City of Miami requested dedication without charge of a parcel of submerged land, 0.55 of an acre, southerly of and abutting the parcel applied for by The Cromwell, Inc., to be used for extension of Northeast 35th Street to the bulkhead line. The Cromwell, Inc., offered to fill for the city the portion to be dedicated for street purposes.

Motion was made and adopted that the two parcels be advertised for objections, based on the offer submitted, subject to written statement being filed with the Trustees regarding filling of the city's parcel by the applicant and approval by the city.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 245-43-253.12. Vernon A. Lake, abutting upland owner represented by Charles B. McAdam, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or in this instance the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 15, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 0.31 of an acre within the approved bulkhead line established by Martin County.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the parcel advertised for objections, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 371-44-253.12. Benjamin Rodgers, Jr. abutting upland owner represented by John P. Goggin, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 0.80 of an acre of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize the parcel advertised for objections, based on offer submitted.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of bulkhead lines fixed by Dade County pursuant to provisions of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, with reference to the westerly side of Biscayne Bay, the Graves Tract, Dumfoundling Bay, and along the Intracoastal Waterway land cut, between Broward County line and south line of Section 22, Township 52 South, Range 21 East, shown on Sheets 33 to 36 inclusive of the Dade County bulkhead line maps. The map sheets were examined and the members felt that the lines presented were reasonable and would enable desirable development and straightening of the shore line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead lines established by Dade County as shown on Sheets 33 to 36.



## GROIN PERMIT

SARASOTA COUNTY: The Trustees considered application of the City of Sarasota to install and maintain breakwater groins and other coastal structures for erosion control at Lido Key in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and the Director recommended permit to the city as requested, with waiver of surety bond for the municipality.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of state license to the City of Sarasota for the desired erosion control structures for the handling charge of \$10.00, no surety bond to be required.

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Governor Collins stated that the work of the Trustees from the standpoint of detail, time and importance to the public deserved a full scale department for management of state lands, and there was need for more engineering and professional assistance and broader planning. To eliminate taking so much time of the Board on individual applications, he suggested that more adequate staff facilities and a broader program would be desirable, with more assistance to local authorities, particularly with a view toward helping at the local level in fixing area bulkhead lines.

Commissioner Mayo called attention to widely varying conditions existing in various localities, which required research and analysis of each situation, making the use of a uniform plan unwise in many cases.

The Director explained that the staff studied maps, aerial photographs, water depths, coast charts, relied on the Coastal Engineering Laboratory for reports on problem areas, had conferences with local groups to review plans whenever possible, often suggested modifications when it appeared that applications were not in conformity with the Trustees' policies, but that the staff did not like to tell a local agency where they should establish the bulkhead lines. He stated that he would recommend expanding the staff when engineers of the kind needed were available.

The Trustees also discussed the great amount of legal work necessary in connection with management of state lands, and it was suggested that it might be desirable to give the Trustees' lawyer authority to hold hearings and present reports and opinions based on the situations he actually found in the localities.

The Trustees were in agreement that the administration of Florida lands was a great responsibility, and that more emphasis should be placed on assisting local authorities and broader planning.

No action was taken.

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ALACHUA COUNTY: T. B. Harvey and Nellie R. Harvey, represented by Hal Y. Maines, applied for quitclaim deed to clear title to land described as the North 710 feet of North 356 feet of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 17 East, less right of way of State Road No. 384, which was patented into private ownership by the United States in 1860, tax deed issued in 1884 and tax title conveyed to E. C. Wimberly on June 15, 1893. On June 16, 1893 Wimberly and wife quitclaimed the land to "The State of Florida", the purpose of the quitclaim not being apparent. The Director reported that affidavits were filed by residents of the area acquainted with the land more than 20 years evidencing peaceable possession and occupation for said period by the Harveys and their predecessors, abstract showed all taxes paid, and there was no Murphy Act or other state interest in the land.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of quitclaim in the name of the State of Florida by and through the Trustees, in favor of Mr. Harvey and wife, for the handling charge of \$15.00.

ESCAMBIA, SANTA ROSA, OKALOOSA, WALTON, BAY AND GULF COUNTIES: Commonwealth Oil Company, holder of State Oil and Gas Lease No. 833 dated December 6, 1951 covering 875,146.73 acres, requested suspension of drilling obligations until question of the state's offshore boundary and title was resolved, as a large part of the lease covered offshore areas 6 miles into the Gulf of Mexico subject to or involved in the pending "Tidelands" litigation. A moratorium was granted by Legislative Act to the holder of one offshore state lease, and on February 17, 1959 the Trustees granted a suspension of the drilling requirements to another lessee, without change in the requirement of rental payments.

It was brought out that a great part of the area covered by Lease 833 was within limits not in disputation, and a ruling from the Attorney General was suggested before approving a moratorium of drilling requirements.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted that the Trustees authorize an extension of six (6) months for commencing the new well required under Lease 833 to be commenced June 6, 1959, and the question of the legal obligation on the part of the Trustees to give Commonwealth Oil Company the requested moratorium until the tidelands litigation was settled should be referred to the Attorney General.

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HERNANDO AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur, as requested by the Florida Board of Forestry, in the following:

1. Butchanbaugh Mines Timber Sale, 640 acres in Section 19, Township 22 South, Range 21 East, Withlacoochee State Forest, Hernando County;
2. Fleming Pulpwood Sale, 320 acres in Section 35, Township 5 North, Range 27 West, Blackwater River State Forest, Santa Rosa County.

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LEE COUNTY: As information to the Board, the Director explained a situation where much local controversy developed regarding the construction of a ferry slip for ferry terminal at property of Lone Oak Corporation at Bocilla Island. On July 23, 1958 the Trustees' office waived objection to issuance of U. S. Engineers Permit to said corporation for dredging an access channel and filling of a part of applicant's upland with a bulkhead at the water line and a drawbridge and clusters of pilings extending 25 feet from the shore into Charlotte Harbor. In reply to protests directed to the Trustees' office, the Director has explained that the Trustees did not control the applicant's use of its upland or require it to establish the ferry terminal elsewhere, also that channel to be dredged was indicated as extending from applicant's shore out to navigable depths of Charlotte Harbor in front of applicant's upland.

The Trustees approved the Director's suggestion that objectors should be advised to direct protests to the U. S. District Engineer or take into a local court as a local matter.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Trustees considered request of Bernie C. Papy for refund of \$1,578.00, the amount paid for Deed No. 20084 dated June 10, 1952 which conveyed unsurveyed islands known as Mollasses Keys in Sections 21 and 22, Township 66 South, Range 31 East, containing 3 acres, more or less. Mr. Ferguson explained that the United States recently surveyed and claimed title to the islands, and the U. S. Bureau of Land Management had advised Mr. Papy that it would be necessary to purchase from the U. S. Therefore, refund from the state because of failure of title was in order.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize refund to Mr. Papy of the deed amount, by reason of title failure, subject to receipt of decision from the United States Department of the Interior of information and correction data for the records of the Land Office.

MONROE COUNTY: Governor Collins brought to the attention of the Board the vast acreages of land in the Florida Keys which were dedicated some years ago to the State Park Board for the purpose of protecting public interest and assuring perpetual scenic areas along the highway throughout the keys, and stated that the current session of the Legislature had overridden his veto of a bill passed in 1957 which had the effect of revesting title to those lands in the Trustees for future disposition as they saw fit.

The Governor stated that the whole area should be re-examined to determine which lands should be retained for permanent public parks, and which lands should be considered as available for applications to purchase for development.

Mr. Ferguson represented the Trustees on the Inter-Agency Committee which studied the matter but did not form any definite plan for the area. He suggested that assistance was needed from Monroe County, the biggest owner of undeveloped land, and that it would be desirable to provide access areas for the public to get to the water and that some appropriate parcels might be dedicated by Monroe County for public use.

The Governor suggested that the Trustees receive no applications for the lands involved for 90 days, during which period a committee composed of representatives from the Park Board, the State Road Department, Monroe County, and the Director, possibly with the assistance of a planner who would report to the committee, would examine the area and formulate an over-all plan to present to the Trustees for segregating appropriate locations for public parks and access areas which would be retained for permanent public use, making certain other parcels available for development. It was so ordered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 12, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary



## LAND SALES

DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 330-16-253.12. On March 24th the Trustees approved bulkhead line established by Duval County Commission and considered the application by American Oil Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, and Mrs. Nell L. C. Bostwick, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the St. Johns River in the unsurveyed portions of Sections 16, 20 and 21, Township 1 South, Range 27 East, containing 126.83 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in the Florida Times Union, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of American Oil Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, and Mrs. Nell L. C. Bostwick, at the price offered, \$200.00 per acre.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 342-43-253.12. On March 24th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from John S. Michaelson, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 5.96 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in The Stuart News, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Michaelson, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 310-44-253.12. On April 1st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Arthur S. Manning, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 0.3 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections to the sale were filed by Charles Waters, Mr. and Mrs. M. Curtis Miller, Christian C. Bades, A. C. Rogers and Harold A. Gibson, on the grounds that applicant might dredge and sell sand, use area for trailer court and dump sewage in the water, or cause erosion or undermining of adjacent properties. The Director stated that the objections appeared unfounded, that applicant had already begun work on the parcel, and he recommended confirmation of sale with deed to be held for 30 days to allow objectors to take legal action if desired.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees defer action on the proposed sale, and that an aerial photograph be secured for examination at a later meeting.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 347-44-253.12. On April 1st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Ivan D. Baronofsky and wife, abutting upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Baronofsky and wife, at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 357-44-253.12. On April 1st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from E. W. Reed, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 27, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.14 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Reed at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 358-44-253.12. On April 1st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Lew Hewes and wife, abutting upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Doctor's Arm Bight, Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.72 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Hewes and wife at the price offered.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: File No. 351-55-253.12. On March 24th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 (for the parcel) from Dr. George C. Hopkins, Jr., Dr. R. J. Plant, Jr., Dr. H. S. Norris, Dr. Reddin Britt, Dr. J. J. DeVito, and Dr. R. M. Nichols, abutting upland owners represented by James S. Holton, for 0.24 of an acre of submerged land in the Matanzas River in Section 20, Township 7 South, Range 30 East, City of St. Augustine, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in The St. Augustine Record, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of Dr. Hopkins et al, at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 392-44-253.12. George H. Grayson, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for two (2) parcels of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 11, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 1.24 acres, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 393-44-253.12. Lon Worth Crow, Co., represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 394-44-253.12. Lester B. DuBell, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 5.0 acres, more or less.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the three parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections, based on offers submitted.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

**BROWARD COUNTY:** Thomas O. Berryhill asked for reconsideration of the application for approval of bulkhead line fixed by City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-1508 in the North Fork, New River, off-shore from a parcel of upland in Government Lot 7, Section 4, Township 50 South, Range 42 East, which line was rejected without prejudice by the Trustees on March 4th. Mr. Berryhill stated that his client had a sale for the property pending approval of the bulkhead line, and he gave the Trustees information on the character of the waterway and proposed use of the area by the prospective purchaser.

Attorney General Ervin called attention to the reluctance of the Trustees to consider favorably applications near bridge approaches and areas near State Road right of way fills, and Governor Collins pointed out that the application was not shown to be approved by the State Road Department or in the public interest.

Mr. Larson suggested that a committee composed of the Attorney General and the Director review the application, suggest a cutback in the bulkhead line, and bring the matter back to the Board at a later date. It was so ordered.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 306-52-253.12. With reference to the City of Dunedin application (Honeymoon-Caladesi Islands and Dunedin Causeway) which was approved by the Trustees on April 14th and referred to the Attorney General's office for amendments or revisions to the contract, Attorney General Ervin reported to the Board that the contract had been prepared to include all conditions requested by the Trustees, and he recommended it for approval.

Mr. Rex Owen, of the Attorney General's office, briefed the provisions of said contract between the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and the City of Dunedin, which was endorsed jointly by Tom Slade, trustee, and Curlew Properties, Inc., the developers.

It was moved, seconded and adopted that the Trustees unanimously approve the contract as prepared by the Attorney General, and it was directed that said contract be placed of record.

At the request of S. E. Simmons, special counsel for the City of Dunedin, the Trustees directed that the minutes of the Trustees show affirmatively that the bulkhead line applied for by the city around Honeymoon and Caladesi Islands, which was established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority at meetings of said authority on October 9, 1958 and November 17, 1958, was formally approved by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund as shown in the minutes of the Trustees' meeting of April 14, 1959. It was so ordered.

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#### PERMITS

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY:** Mrs. Loka A. Johnson applied for permission to dredge 1,200 cubic yards of sand from the bottoms of Lake June-in-Winter from an area riparian to her upland property in Section 26, Township 36 South, Range 29 East, in the City of Lake Placid, for use in improving her upland property.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit for the material requested at a charge of \$135.00, subject to approval of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.



MARTIN COUNTY: C. B. Arbogast, on behalf of North River Shores, Inc., applied for permit to remove 20,000 cubic yards of fill material from the North Fork of the St. Lucie River in Section 30, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, for use in improving the applicant's upland property.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit for the material requested at the Trustees' standard rate for such fill material, or a total cost of \$900.00 in this instance.

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#### EASEMENT AND LEASES

DUVAL COUNTY: Application was presented from the United States Department of the Navy for a perpetual easement covering 113 acres of submerged land in the Atlantic Ocean at the mouth of the St. Johns River adjacent to the Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Mayport, in Duval County, Florida, for use as a carrier basin approach channel.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees grant perpetual easement to the United States Navy Department as requested.

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BROWARD - DADE COUNTIES: Application was presented from Marine Products, Inc., for treasure lease covering an offshore area of approximately 14½ square miles easterly of the zone between Dania and Bakers Haulover, and the Director recommended a 3-year lease at \$100.00 per year, with surety bond in the sum of \$1,000.00, and subject to the regulations adopted by the Trustees in 1958.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of 3-year non-exclusive lease to Marine Products, Inc., with requirements for charge, bond and regulations as recommended by the Director.

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LEE COUNTY: Request was presented from Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club, a non-profit corporation, holder of 10-year Campsite Lease No. 724 which expires May 30, 1960, for ten year renewal. The attorney for the club advised that the area would be made available to civic organizations for community recreation purposes.

The Director recommended issuance of a new 10-year lease effective on expiration of former lease, at the same rental of \$25.00 per year, with provision in the lease that the area shall include civic and community functions under supervision of the Yacht Club, and with the usual cancellation clause.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that new campsite lease to Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club be authorized with provisions as recommended by the Director.

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LEE - PINELLAS COUNTIES: Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees authorize extension through June 30, 1960 to United States Fish and Wildlife Service, of Lease No. 386 covering lands on Sanibel Island, Lee County, and Lease No. 701 covering lands on Tarpon or Bush Key in Pinellas County, as such extensions are provided for in said leases.

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NASSAU, DUVAL, ST. JOHNS COUNTIES: The Director recommended cancellation of Mineral Lease No. 925 held by Intercontinental Engineering & Export Company, Inc., for failure to pay rentals or royalties due for October 1958 and subsequent months, being breach of Section 4 of the lease, and for failure to show evidence of ownership of processing plant as required under Section 6 of

the lease. Mr. Ferguson stated that notice of the default was given by registered mail more than 30 days ago, and cancellation was in order as provided for in Section 18 of the lease.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize Mineral Lease No. 925 cancelled as recommended by the Director, and directed that the bond company be called on for payment of the delinquent rent owed by the company.

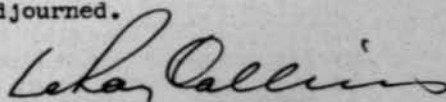
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DUVAL, ST. JOHNS, FLAGLER, VOLUSIA COUNTIES: Radorock Resources, Inc., surviving corporation under merger with Chesapeake & Colorado Corporation, holder of Mineral Lease No. 844, advised that it elected to allow the lease to terminate. Minimum rental in the sum of \$25.00 was due March 28, 1959, and no evidence had been filed of ownership of mineral processing plant required under the lease.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize Mineral Lease No. 844 cancelled, and directed that the bond company be called on for payment of the delinquent rent owed by the company.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 19, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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The Minutes of the Trustees dated April 28th and May 5th, 1959, which were approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member, were formally approved without objection.

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#### LAND SALES

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On March 4th the Trustees authorized Haynes E. Williams, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, to advertise and hold public sale of 1½ acre parcel at base bid of \$400.00. Mr. Williams reported that the sale was duly advertised, and high bid of \$450.00 for the parcel was received from E. M. Robinson at public sale on May 5th, 1959. Clerk remitted to the Trustees full payment of the amount bid with the cost of advertising and his fee of \$10.00.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the Clerk's report, confirm the sale and authorize issuance of deed to the high bidder, and approve payment of the advertising cost and Clerk's fee.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 224-52-253.12. Further consideration was given by the Trustees to application by Dr. Fred McMullen and wife, upland owners, represented by Wightman, Rowe and Tanney, for approval of a bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on August 14, 1958, and purchase of 1.90 acres of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 16, Township 29 South, Range 16 East. On April 21st the Trustees requested statement from the Authority that the segment of bulkhead line for Dr. McMullen would tie in and in fact be a part of the over-all line of the county, and letter dated May 15th from the Pinellas Authority was presented and accepted by the Trustees as satisfactory for the purpose requested.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line and confirm sale to Dr. McMullen and wife at the price offered, \$250.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 278-52-253.12. The Trustees considered application by Bay Bluffs Estates, Inc., upland owners, represented by Wightman, Rowe and Tanney, for approval of a bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on January 8, 1959, and purchase of 9.66 acres of submerged land in Old Tampa Bay in Section 17, Township 29 South, Range 16 East. On April 21st the Trustees requested statement from the Authority that the segment of bulkhead line for Bay Bluffs Estates was an integral part of the over-all county bulkhead line, and letter dated May 15th from the Pinellas Authority was presented and accepted by the Trustees as satisfactory for the purpose requested.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line and confirm sale to Bay Bluffs Estates, Inc., at the price offered, \$250.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

DADE COUNTY: Seadade Realty, Inc., represented by Ernest J. Hewett of Miami, applied to purchase Sections 31 and 32 of Township 57 South, Range 40 East, for development purposes, offering the 1956 appraised value of \$175.00 per acre. The land was previously withdrawn from sale, subsequently authorized for sale in small tracts contingent upon inspection indicating suitability, but inspection disclosed that small owners could not effectively drain and develop. Mr. Hewett advised that drainage and development would be feasible as a two-section tract.

The Director recommended that subject to approval by the Governor, the land be advertised for competitive bids.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees defer consideration of this application until a later date.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. DADE COUNTY: File No. 397-13-253.12. The Miami Herald Publishing Company offered \$100.00 for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 36, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 0.24 of an acre within the established bulkhead line, for which an appraisal had not been received. The Director recommended advertisement for objections, sale to be subject to applicant offering the appraised price.



2. MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 390-41-253.12. Key Royale, Inc., represented by John F. Vanderipe, offered the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre for six (6) parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 16, 17, 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, containing 22.76 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Holmes Beach.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 384-44-253.12. Mitsuo Matsuno, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 2, Township 60 South, Range 40 East, Key Largo, containing 3.58 acres, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 386-44-253.12. Hilario Ramos and wife, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 0.95 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, lying Southerly of and abutting upland property in the City of Key West.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 387-44-253.12. Ralph E. Cornish, as Trustee, represented by Walton, Lantaff, Schroeder, Atkins, Carson and Wahl, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 155.0 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 14 and 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 399-44-253.12. Llewellyn Miller and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 for 0.70 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 7, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key.
7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 400-44-253.12. Bertram M. Harris and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Buttonwood Sound in Section 28, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.83 of an acre, more or less.
8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 402-44-253.12. Dr. Marshall C. Sanford and wife offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 0.91 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the eight (8) parcels of submerged land in Dade, Manatee and Monroe Counties advertised for objections, sale of the parcel in Dade County to be subject to acceptance by the applicant of the appraised price.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND APPLICATION

BAY COUNTY: File No. 398-03-253.12. Formal approval by the Trustees was requested of bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County by Resolution adopted on March 16, 1959, in Fanning Bayou offshore from upland property of B. E. Tillman described as Block 108 in Town of Southport, a subdivision of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 14 West, Plat Book 1, Page 59, Bay County records. Mr. Tillman, abutting upland owner, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Fanning Bayou in Sections 28 and 33, Township 2 South, Range 14 West, within said bulkhead line.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, and also approve advertisement of the parcel for objections, sale to be subject to acceptance by the applicant of the recommended price of \$100.00 per acre.

## BULKHEAD LINES

**BREVARD COUNTY:** The Director recommended to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line in the Indian River offshore from the riparian uplands, extending from the north limits to south limits of Indialantic, which line was established by the Town Council by Ordinance No. 51 dated March 3, 1959, in accordance with Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line of the Town of Indialantic as recommended by the Director.

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**DADE COUNTY:** The Director recommended approval of bulkhead lines fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, as shown on Sheets 42 to 47 inclusive of the official Dade County bulkhead line maps. The map sheets were examined by the Trustees, and Mr. Ferguson stated that the bulkhead lines had been reviewed by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees give formal approval to the bulkhead lines established by Dade County as shown on Sheets 42 to 47 inclusive.

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**LEE COUNTY:** The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line established, pursuant to Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, by the City Council of Fort Myers by Ordinance No. 545 dated April 20, 1959, said bulkhead line being fixed in the Caloosahatchee River offshore from certain lands in the City of Fort Myers. Information was that the city owns the bay bottom lands and plans to fill part for city facilities, and that no objections to the bulkhead line were presented at the local hearing.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line established by the City of Fort Myers as recommended by the Director.

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**ST. LUCIE COUNTY:** The Director recommended approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead lines along the shores of the Indian River within the corporate limits of the City of Fort Pierce as established, pursuant to Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, by the City Commission by Ordinance No. D-185 dated February 3, 1958 and Ordinance No. D-194 dated June 16, 1958, the latter ordinance amending D-185 in some particulars.

The Trustees examined official bulkhead maps submitted by the city.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead lines established by the City of Fort Pierce as recommended by the Director.

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## DEDICATION; DISCLAIMERS; LEASES

**BREVARD COUNTY:** The City of Melbourne applied for 100-foot right of way to extend Melbourne Avenue on submerged lands of Crane Creek. The Director recommended dedication of the strip for public street or road purposes subject to the city furnishing written consent of the upland riparian owners as required by Section 253.126 Florida Statutes, and permit from Florida East Coast Railway.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted that the Trustees approve dedication as recommended by Mr. Ferguson.

COLLIER COUNTY: George G. Huntoon on behalf of North 21 Investment Corporation and Barron Collier, Jr. and Isabel U. Collier, applied for disclaimers to certain lands, described by the government surveyor in 1874 as open flats overflowed at times with salt water, the chain of title to which originated from the United States to the State under Swamp Land Patent and subsequent conveyances by the Trustees. Taxes have been paid over the years, the areas are being extensively developed, and the record title holders request disclaimers to perfect their titles.

The Director recommended issuance of disclaimers, at \$10.00 each for handling charge, to the following:

- (a) North 21 Investment Corporation: Government Lot 1 and E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  in Section 21, Township 49 South, Range 25 East.
- (b) Barron Collier, Jr. and Isabel U. Collier:
  - In Sec. 8-49-25, Government Lot 1
  - In Sec. 9-49-25, NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and Government Lot 1
  - In Sec. 5-49-25, Government Lots 1 and 2
  - In Sec. 4-49-25, Government Lot 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SW $\frac{1}{4}$
  - In Sec. 32-48-25, That portion of Government Lot 1 lying South of State Road #862, and all of Government Lot 2
  - In Sec. 33-48-25, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimers as recommended by the Director.

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DADE COUNTY: Jesse R. Thiel, represented by Allen Clements, Jr., applied for a disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to Lot 2 of Block 6, Biscayne Shores Subdivision, within the established bulkhead line.

The lot was part of an area filled many years prior to June 11, 1957.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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DUVAL COUNTY: North Shore Corporation, represented by W. Gregory Smith, applied for a disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to a parcel of land in Sections 17, 18, 21, 22, 23 and 26 of Township 1 South, Range 28 East, lying northerly of the St. Johns River, which was filled prior to May 29, 1951.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: C. H. Bourke Floyd and Russell Nahm, City Manager, on behalf of the City of Apalachicola, presented request for lease of that property northerly from the average high water mark between Avenues "J" and "K", for \$1.00 per year, for development in connection with an Industrial Park, with the right to fill northerly between existing Avenues "K" and "J" to the south right of way line of the channel in Scipio Creek. Mr. Floyd advised the Trustees that the city was in the process of establishing the bulkhead line, and maps were displayed and discussed. Explanation was that it was important to the city that no delay be met in having a site available for location of a seafood processing plant which would be a great economic asset to the City of Apalachicola.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve lease of whatever interest the Trustees might have in the property, for \$1.00 per year to the city as requested, with right to assign the lease in the event the city disposed of the property.

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LEE COUNTY: O. O. Murphy, Commissioner of Sanibel Fire Control District, applied for conveyance of that part of Lot 5 South of State Road S-867 in Section 21, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, estimated at 3.6 acres, as site for fire barn for fire control uses of the District. It was noted that this would provide better fire control for the residents of the island as well as enable them to secure more favorable insurance rates.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of lease of the parcel requested to the District for fire control uses at \$1.00 per year, subject to termination for non-use two consecutive years.

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MISCELLANEOUS

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur, as requested by Florida Board of Forestry, in Sunnybrook Pulpwood Sale covering 247 acres in Section 33, Township 5 North, Range 24 West, in Blackwater River State Forest.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Governor Collins brought up for discussion the 487.8 acres of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in area known as Tierra Verde, purchased by Bradley Waldron, Baya M. Harrison, Irving Green and Hyman Green, under contract No. 21532 dated April 23, 1957 which has been paid up and deed requested. The Trustees required certain reservations for public uses to be delineated, and the minutes of July 9, 1957 showed that it was mutually agreed by the Board and the purchasers that a mistake was made in omitting these reservations from the contract but that at the proper time, before issuance of the deed, instruments would be required to evidence commitments by the Waldron-Green interests for reservation of areas for road rights of way and certain other public uses.

The Director reported that the contract had been paid up, legal description for the deed approved, and telegrams had been filed from the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County Commissioners, and State Road Board Member A. L. Rogero stating that the Waldron interests have not made any commitments that they have not fulfilled, and execution of the deed was requested.

The Trustees were concerned about commitments for public uses not having been filed with the Trustees, and it was unanimously agreed that before the deed can be executed they desired a specific plan for public school sites, municipal building sites to meet reasonable needs, public access areas to the waterfront, or public parks on the shore, and also the Trustees desired to be assured that the areas which the purchasers have committed for state road rights of way will be filled. The Director was instructed to advise Dr. Waldron of these requirements.

It was so ordered.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials requested concurrence of Trustees in exchange of that part of E½ of Section 34 and that part of Sections 35 and 36 southwest of State Road #72, in Township 37 South, Range 20 East, at Myakka River State Park, held by the Park Board, for Sections 4, 5, 8 and 9 less N½ of NW¼ of Section 5, in Township 38 South, Range 20 East, owned by the estate of Edith Conway Ringling, the matter having been reviewed by the Attorney General.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees concur in the exchange as requested by the Park Board.

Equipment for Trustees' Office: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize purchase for use in the Trustees' office of one steel form cabinet costing approximately \$42.25, and one four drawer file cabinet at approximately \$103.70.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted to approve Report No. 722 listing 25 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act and authorize issuance of deeds pertaining thereto; also, the Trustees approved issuance of Broward County Deed No. 2193-EDDJ-Supplemental-Corrective to Maude M. Burket to correct deficiency in description of the land conveyed.

BREVARD COUNTY: The Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials, holder of Murphy Act lands in DeSoto Beach Resubdivision as Platted in Plat Book 2, page 317, public records of Brevard County, in DeSoto Beach State Park which were granted by the State through and by the Trustees by Deed No. 01-Chapter 21998 dated December 18, 1946 for park purposes to Florida Board of Forestry and Parks, tendered reconveyance to the State by reason of requirement of the lands by the United States for national defense purposes, since the Park Board held title for limited use only. The Director recommended concurrence in the reconveyance and that the title be held subject to negotiations for United States acquisition.

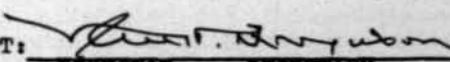
Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director as action of the Board.

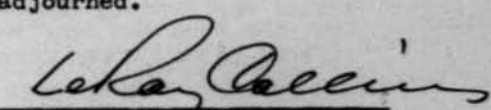
OKALOOSA COUNTY: The State Road Department requested an easement for right of way purposes for Section 57570-2601, State Road S-285, over a parcel of land described as part of the East  $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 22 West, containing 1.52 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees grant the easement as requested by the State Road Department.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 26, 1959

The Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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The Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of May 12, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 251-11-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Willis H. Yeamans, abutting upland owner represented by Smith & Carroll, of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 2.58 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Collier County News, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the sale be confirmed in favor of the applicant at the price offered.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 307-41-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees considered joint applications by Edith L. Zewadski and Bay View Builders, upland owners, represented by Grimes & Grimes and W. K. Zewadski, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 33, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Town of Holmes Beach, comprising a total of 20.3 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The applicants accepted the adjusted price of \$500.00 per acre, the parcel was advertised for objections in The Bradenton Herald, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale to the applicants at the price offered, \$500.00 per acre.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 352-41-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon application by T. A. McKay and Eddie R. Riley, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Section 17, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, in City of Anna Maria, containing 4.246 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line approved by the Trustees on April 14th. The appraisal was \$175.00 per acre and pending sale was subject to acceptance of that price by the applicant.

The parcel was advertised for objections in The Islander, Anna Maria, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were filed.



Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 350-44-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre by Michael Schweitzer, upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing approximately 1.87 acres. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel of submerged land to Mr. Schweitzer at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 359-44-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre by Lloyd W. Dean, abutting owner represented by Neblett, Youmans, Albury & Sauer, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in Bogie Channel in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.80 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel of submerged land to Mr. Dean at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 361-44-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Emile George et al, abutting owners represented by Neblett, Youmans, Albury & Sauer, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Bogie Channel in Section 25, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing a total of 2.15 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcels advertised in favor of Emile George et al, at the price offered.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File Nos. 148-56-253.12 and 149-56-253.12. On April 14th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections based on offer of the adjusted price of \$629.00 per acre by Fort Pierce Port & Terminal Company, and Causeway Trailer Court, Inc., abutting upland owners represented by M. A. Ramsey, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 2, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, lying southerly of and abutting the southerly shoreline of Causeway Island between the site of the proposed sewage treatment plant of Fort Pierce to the west and the Handleman Enterprises, Inc., properties to the east and landward of the established bulkhead line, containing a total of 114.55 acres, more or less.

The land was advertised for objections in Fort Pierce News Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of the applicants at the price offered.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 408-44-253.12. Chester P. Sadowski and wife offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or the \$100.00 minimum in this instance, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.3 of an acre, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 409-44-253.12. Thomas C. Kyle and wife offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or the \$100.00 minimum in this instance, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.2 of an acre, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 412-44-253.12. Paul M. Hellenka and wife, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Bogie Channel in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, in Big Pine Key, containing 1.21 acres, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 413-44-253.12. Wallace Shannon and wife offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 2.0 acres, more or less.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 414-44-253.12. Cecil O. Keith, Sr., and wife, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.9 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the five (5) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on offers submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 391-50-253.12. E. E. VanScoy, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.516 of an acre; and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Section 3, Township 43 South,

Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "(a)", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.961 of an acre. Offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre was made for the parcel applied for to be deeded.

Motion was made by Mr. Green and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed, based on the offer submitted.

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## BULKHEAD LINES

MARTIN COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the Bulkhead line established by the Town of Jupiter Island in meeting May 18, 1959, Ordinance No. 50, the line

extending a distance of twenty-five (25) feet outward from the mean high water mark on the easterly shore of Hobe Sound (Intra-coastal Waterway) from the southern town limits of the Town of Jupiter Island, in Martin County, Florida, to the south line of Lot 152, Gomez Grant, Plat Book 1, Page 80, Palm Beach County public records.

Motion was made and adopted that formal approval be given to the bulkhead line of the Town of Jupiter Island.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established by the Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority by Resolution dated May 12, 1959, one foot offshore from the mean high water mark throughout all of that area in Sarasota County described as follows:

That part of the Southeasterly shore of New Pass at the Easterly shore of the Gulf of Mexico between the city limits of the City of Sarasota lying northeast of New Pass bridge, and the north city limits of the City of Sarasota lying southwest of New Pass bridge, all located within Sarasota County, Florida,

and being in Sections 22 and 27, Township 36 South, Range 17 East.

Motion was made and adopted that formal approval be given to the bulkhead line as recommended.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County in meeting May 8, 1959, extending from the south limits of the Town of Port Orange through the community known as Harbor Oaks.

(Rescinded  
See June  
2nd  
Minutes)

Motion was made and adopted that approval be given to the bulkhead line as requested.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

HERNANDO COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Florida Board of Forestry's issuance of use permit in favor of Board of Public Instruction of Hernando County for the use and benefit of Brooksville Chapter of the Future Farmers of America, covering 32 acres in N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 20, Township 21 South, Range 20 East, in Withlacoochee State Forest, to be used as a forestry project by the chapter.

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HERNANDO AND PASCO COUNTIES: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve and concur in Florida Board of Forestry timber sale, known as the Jesse Hammock timber sale, of approximately 400 acres in Sections 14, 15, 22 and 23 in Township 23 South, Range 22 East, Richloan Tract, Withlacoochee State Forest.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Ben H. Overton, attorney for George Marsic and Barbara I.W. Falk, owners of sovereignty parcels previously conveyed by the Trustees, requested to be heard with reference to pending applications of his clients to acquire adjacent submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay, said applications never having been processed due to difficulties in preparing descriptions for areas which had not been correctly surveyed.



The Director stated that Mr. Overton had not replied to nor complied with the staff's request in letter of August 14, 1958, for on-the-ground surveys to be furnished tying the description in with the established southeast corner of the one-acre ownership of Mr. Marsic which can be identified as a property corner. He pointed out that the applicants desire to enlarge the area applied for, rather than cut back as was requested by the Trustees, and that the new maps submitted by Mr. Overton (1) do not conform to the allocation ratio of area-to-be-sold-in-relation-to-area-owned indicated by the Trustees' minutes, (2) do not disclose elevations or water depths, and (3) were not coordinated with the shore line of Cabbage Key which is near the Falk ownership. The Director recommended that no further action be taken until bulkhead lines have been fixed and submitted by the Pinellas County Navigation and Water Control Authority and application is completed in accordance with the Trustees' requirements under Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957.

Mr. Overton expressed disagreement with the Director, and summarized the history of his clients' applications, reading excerpts from the minutes. He referred to differing surveys and errors in descriptions previously submitted for the several applications in this area, complained that his clients were not furnished the final description of the property applied for by the Green interests, and stated that this was the third description submitted and at his direction his engineer had tied it into the Walter Collany description, rather than tie to a disputed boundary marker between the Marsic and Waldron ownerships.

Attorney General Ervin said it was the Board's understanding that the several applications in the area were to have been kept in close coordination as to descriptions and areas to be conveyed in relation to amounts of upland ownership.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the original deeds to Falk and Marsic appeared based on erroneous maps and that corrective deeds were needed before making sale of additional lands to these owners, and read from copy of his letter of August 14, 1958 in which he urged Mr. Overton and his clients to secure new survey using a corner on Cabbage Key established by the U. S. in recent years and to which the legal descriptions were tied for sale of submerged lands to Waldron, Green, et al, adjacent to Cabbage Key and which extend to the south line of the 1-acre parcel owned by Marsic.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the matter be referred to Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane and the Director to work out.

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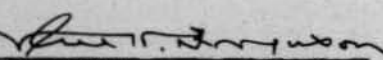
ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The State Road Department requested (1) dedication of submerged areas and islands in the Matanzas River in unsurveyed parts of Sections 30 and 31, Township 9 South, Range 31 East, and (2) temporary easement for dredging area in unsurveyed part of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 31 East, required in construction of State Road A-1-A Sec. 78040-2111 in St. Johns County.

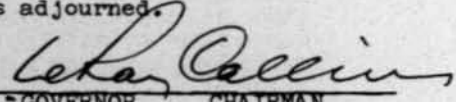
Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of dedication and easement, both as requested by the State Road Department.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

Tallahassee, Florida  
June 2, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees dated May 19, 1959, which were approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member, were formally approved without objection.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

DADE COUNTY: For Competitive Bids. On May 19th the Trustees deferred consideration on the application by Seadade Realty, Inc., to purchase Sections 31 and 32, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, 1,280 acres, with offer of \$175.00 per acre, the 1956 appraised value. The appraisal file described the land as characteristically wet, not adapted for agricultural use or sale in small tracts because of drainage problems.

Motion was made and adopted that action be deferred, and Mr. Ferguson was directed to have a new appraisal made.

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. DADE COUNTY: File No. 396-13-253.12. Samuel G. Keywell offered the appraised price of \$4,438.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, in City of Miami within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 39 of the official Dade County bulkhead maps. 3.26 acres, more or less.
2. HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: File No. 388-29-253.12. Paul B. Dickman and Francis J. Corr, Inc., by Sasser & Danahy, offered \$65.00 per acre for four (4) tracts of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 16, 17, 19, 20 and 30 in Township 31 South, Range 1<sup>o</sup> East, within the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended that an appraisal be secured, and that sale be subject to applicant offering the appraised price. 176.244 acres, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 313-44-253.12. Scharf Land Development Company offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca. 1.0 acre, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 385-44-253.12. Henry C. Hudgins, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Niles Channel in Section 36, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Summerland Key. 0.8 of an acre, more or less.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 415-44-253.12. Theodore W. Schmitt and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. 1.12 acres, more or less.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 416-44-253.12. Thomas N. Beach, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key. 1.74 acres, more or less.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the six (6) parcels to be advertised for objections, sale of the Hillsborough County area to be subject to applicant offering the appraised price.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND APPLICATION

LEE COUNTY: File No. 302-36-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees considered application for bulkhead line and purchase by John E. Price and wife, upland owners, at the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, containing 152.54 acres, more or less. The Trustees approved the application and bulkhead line, subject to modification of the line by Lee County, by reducing the area encompassed to correspond to the limit of Mr. Price's application to purchase.

Lee County cancelled the bulkhead line fixed on November 19, 1958, and by Resolution adopted May 20, 1959 fixed bulkhead line offshore from the John E. Price property, complying with the Trustees' request for reduction.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve bulkhead line adopted by Lee County on May 20, 1959, and authorize advertisement, for objections only, of the two parcels of submerged land applied for by Mr. Price, based on offer of the appraised price.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND SALE

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 135-52-253.12. On March 24th, Adrian Bacon, on behalf of Venetian Isles Development Corporation, presented two modified plans for development of the sovereignty lands in their pending application to purchase 130 acres, more or less, in Old Tampa Bay at Mermaid Point, in St. Petersburg. Three members of the Trustees tentatively approved the bulkhead line fixed July 24, 1958 by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority and indicated that approval would be given the modified plan recommended by the Director in which a substantial change of boundary was made on the southerly side, subject to and contingent upon the applicant carrying that particular plan back to the city and the county and receiving their favorable recommendation.

Applicant filed with the Trustees a resolution of the City of St. Petersburg dated April 1, 1959, and certified copy of action by the Pinellas County Authority on May 15, 1959, both approving the modified development plan considered by the Trustees on March 24th. The Director stated that no objections had been received since that date, transcript of the county hearing was on file, and the applicants had agreed to dedicate to the public the water areas left unfilled, and a strip bayward from the perimeter of the block to be purchased out to the bulkhead line would remain as waterway for use of the public.



Attorney General Ervin stated that he had hoped a cut-back and compromise could be worked out to bring about symmetry in the area of Papy's Bayou, so as to fix a bulkhead line that would not represent a precedent which would make difficult the determining of other applications. He felt that while the resolutions from the city and county were favorable, the local objections, divided political situation, and inability of the Trustees to have representative on the ground, made it difficult to determine whether this line would establish a bad precedent. He said he could not vote for the bulkhead line or purchase application.

It was the opinion of the other members of the Board that hearing of objections had been closed, and that, according to the action on March 24th, the Trustees, now having before them the approval of the city and county, should close the matter and approve the plan involving the smallest area of fill.

The Governor suggested that the contract or deed should require a strip of water-covered bottoms, outward from the perimeter of the development fill, dedicated to the public so that individual owners in the future could not purchase and fill out to the bulkhead line, and Mr. Bacon explained that the plan was to dredge the shoals out of that area to improve the dedicated waterway and to dedicate water areas within the development layout.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson, that the bulkhead line be formally approved and sale to Venetian Isles Development Corporation at the appraised price be authorized on the basis of the revised plan approved by the City of St. Petersburg and the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, subject to provision in the contract or deed that the purchaser shall dedicate to the public use a strip of water-covered lands lying bayward from the easterly limit of the filling and within the bulkhead line. The following vote was registered:

Ayes: Governor Collins, Comptroller Green,  
Treasurer Larson, and Commissioner Mayo.

Nays: Attorney General Ervin, for the reasons he  
stated above.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

VOLUSIA COUNTY: Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees rescind action of May 26th approving bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County on May 8, 1959, which was presented to the Board prematurely as the county had corrected and was readvertising the line from South City Limits of Port Orange through Harbor Oaks. The Director advised that the bulkhead line would be submitted to the Trustees for approval after establishment by the county with corrected description.

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#### LEASES

BREVARD COUNTY: The Director presented request from the District Engineer, U. S. Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville, for lease as rhombic antenna site, covering 11.48 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Banana River in Section 1, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Brevard County, lying westerly of and offshore from the Cape Canaveral Missile Test Center, said lease to run until June 30, 2009 unless terminated by United States before that date.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize lease to the United States as requested.

MONROE COUNTY: George H. Estes, holder of Lease No. 773 covering a parcel 200 by 450 feet adjacent to the right of way of U. S. Highway No. 1 near Whale Harbor bridge, requested approval for making certain repairs and improvements to his docks, building and channel, all within the leased area. The Director of the Florida Board of Parks & Historic Memorials had approved the plans, and Mr. Ferguson recommended approval by the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the lessee's plans for repairs and improvements as recommended by the Director.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson reported that the Everglades Experiment Station needed additional lands but that no state land was available at the location needed, the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 37 East owned by James A. Ball, Jr., being suitable, and Mr. Ball having expressed willingness to exchange the 320 acres near Belle Glade for the areas he holds under Leases 789 and 810 in Sections 13 and 24, Township 43 South, Range 36 East, a total of 457.53 acres which included 47.49 acres classed as "waste land". The exchange would be made in order that the Trustees could make the land in Section 8 available to the Experiment Station. Mr. Ferguson suggested a lease in perpetuity to the Station with rental equal to the drainage district assessment. Mr. Ball was present and filed letter agreeing to such exchange and offered to waive advance rentals paid on Lease 789. He called attention to the leases which expire July 1, 1961 and loss of income, in the event of exchange, from the land in Section 8, and the fact that taxes would be levied on the lands now held under lease, but that he considered this would be offset by acquisition of the larger area adjacent to other lands he holds.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve the broad general plan of the suggested exchange, and the Director was instructed to obtain appraisals and work out details with Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of Permit to Cove Beach Club, Inc., of Fort Lauderdale, for installation of six groins, in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, for protection against erosion of the beach at the Club's property in Block 20, Deerfield Beach Subdivision.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of the requested permit upon payment of the usual \$10.00 fee.

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COLLIER COUNTY: George G. Huntoon, on behalf of 16 Investment Corporation, applied for disclaimer to certain lands described by the government surveyor in 1874 as open flats overflowed at times with salt water, the chain of title to which originated from the United States to the State under Swamp Land Patent and subsequent conveyance by the State Board of Education. Taxes have been paid over the years, and the record title holder requested disclaimer to perfect its title to Government Lots 2, 3, and 4 in Section 16, Township 49 South, Range 25 East.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer as requested to 16 Investment Corporation, for the \$10.00 handling charge.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve and concur, as requested by Florida Board of Forestry, in a proposed 10-year sale of pine stumpwood in Blackwater River State Forest, subject to advertisement for competitive bids.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: The State Road Department requested dedication for public highway purposes and for right of way across approximately 0.68 of an acre of bottom land in Lake Boca Raton in Section 29, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, for State Road A-1-A, Sec. 93060-2117.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees grant dedication as requested by the State Road Department.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director reported that contract No. 21532 for sale of 478 acres of submerged land at Cabbage Key, sold in 1957 to Bradley Waldron, Baya Harrison, Jr., Irving Green and Hyman Green, was fully paid and formal agreement dated May 21, 1959 was entered into between the purchasers and the Trustees whereunder 23 acres were designated and set aside for public school site, 12 acres for public buildings, and 1,500 feet for beach. The County Superintendent of Public Instruction approved the location and area for the schools. Several streets in the proposed Tierra Verde municipality were designated to be open to the bay with park or cul-de-sac for public use.

Inasmuch as the Trustees' minutes of several meetings disclosed possible commitments being required by the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, and the State Road Department, evidence of full compliance with commitments to each was filed. The developers advised that a separate municipality was planned, and all rights of way required by the State Road Department for the Bayway through the Tierra Verde lands had been delivered to and accepted by the Road Department. The deed of conveyance from the Trustees was made subject to the agreement of May 21, 1959, which was placed on record in Pinellas County, and Deed No. 21532 was delivered May 25th.

The Trustees asked for clarification of the 1,500-foot beach to show that the area, which was placed adjacent to the site designated for municipal buildings, would be for the use of residents of the development. Attorney General Ervin stated that he would like for the beach to be under supervision of the municipality to be developed at Tierra Verde.

Motion was made and adopted that the report be accepted for recording in the minutes.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize expenditure of \$275.00 (cost \$290.00 less 5%) for purchase of Aerial Land Ownership Atlas for Brevard County for use by the Engineering Division in reviewing applications for purchase of Trustees' lands and as a basis for erection of additional base maps.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted to approve Report No. 723 listing 1 bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorize issuance of deed pertaining thereto.

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ALACHUA COUNTY: Parks M. Carmichael, on behalf of client, requested that the Trustees disclaim interest in a part of the land described in Tax Sale Certificate No. 468 of 1911. The request was reviewed with the Attorney General, and due to inaccuracies in past tax assessments, difficulty of obtaining information from the Trustees' Agent (the Clerk of the Circuit Court), and the extremely complicated situation, the Attorney General recommended issuance of quitclaim deed to the present record title holder without oil-and-mineral and road right-of-way reservations, covering a parcel 51 feet north and south by 100 feet east and west in Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, thus clearing the title of the parcel for Mr. Carmichael's client.



Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of Quitclaim deed to the present record title holder as recommended by the Attorney General, without said reservations, for a charge of \$50.00.

ALACHUA, COLUMBIA AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES: Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees grant easements to the State Road Department for right of way and drainage ditch purposes covering the following Murphy Act land:

1. ALACHUA COUNTY: 0.278 of an acre in Section 3, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, for State Road 45, Sec. 26030-2111.
2. COLUMBIA COUNTY: 225 Sq. ft. in Lot 2, Block "B" of Thompson's Subdivision, Plat Book 2, page 23, for State Road S-252-A, Sec. 29620-2151.
3. WASHINGTON COUNTY: 1.26 acres in Section 2, Township 4 North, Range 16 West, for State Road S-179, Section 61632-2601.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

Van H. Ferguson  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

LeRoy Collins  
- GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 16, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson Director

The minutes of the Trustees for the meetings of May 26th and June 2, 1959, having been approved by the Attorney General and presented to each member, were unanimously approved.

#### LAND SALES

The following land sales, 17 in number, were advertised for the sale date of June 9, 1959, however, due to a quorum of the Trustees not being present on that date, confirmation was requested on this date.

DADE COUNTY: File No. 362-13-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$3,888.00 per acre from W. Tracy Haverfield, upland owner represented by Bruce L. Barfield, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 28, Township 54 South, Range 41 East,

City of Miami, containing 0.9 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 41 of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps. Also, request was presented for dedication to the City of Miami without charge of 0.21 of an acre of submerged land northerly of and abutting the parcel applied for by Mr. Haverfield, for extension of St. Gaudens Road to the bulkhead line.

The land was advertised for objections in The Miami Herald, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and protests were filed by Mrs. Alice Wainwright, A. Fielder Clarke, Mrs. David Fairchild, Dr. G. Grosvenor, Mrs. Marie Addom, Eben and Rodney Hall, citing possible depreciation of value and damage of view of their residential properties.

Also filed with the Trustees were resolutions from the City of Miami and Dade County Commissioners approving the improvement plans of the applicant and extension of the road, and a letter in favor of the sale was received from G. M. Peppard, property owner within 1,000 feet.

After examination of the maps, aerial photo, objections, and proposed use of the parcel applied for, and discussion with Mr. Barfield and M. B. Garris, Jr., who were present on behalf of the applicant, the Trustees were of the opinion that the bulkhead line was good and the improvement plans were reasonable.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that objections be overruled and sale confirmed in favor of Mr. Haverfield at the price offered, and dedication without cost be authorized to the City of Miami of the parcel for extension of St. Gaudens Road.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 368-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Lawrence Wilkins, upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, on Key Vaca, containing 1.6 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed by W. E. Aldret, Cadwalader Woodville, Jr., Norman Bruce and P. M. Andrews, but the Trustees, upon examination of the maps and information submitted, felt that objections were without foundation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mayo, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Wilkins at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 370-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from James L. Ribble, upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, on Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. H. O. Mathews and A. L. Hare protested the sale because of damage it would do to a navigable channel; however, information was that no channel was involved, only mud flats at low tide.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Ribble at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 353-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Joe H. Wildermuth, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in Bonefish Bay, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Crawl Key No. 1, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for to Mr. Wildermuth at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 354-44-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Max Levine, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in Bonefish Bay, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Crawl Key No. 1, containing 0.7 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Levine, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 355-44-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from J. J. Jackson, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in Bonefish Bay, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Crawl Key No. 1, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 373-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Ramon DeFilippo and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised, in favor of the applicants, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 374-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Albert F. Mende and wife, upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.57 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.



Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Mende and wife, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 375-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer by Edward L. Mitchell, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.40 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised, in favor of Mr. Mitchell, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 376-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from George L. Stapleton, abutting owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 1.70 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Stapleton, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 378-44-253.12. On April 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Charles S. Roberts, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 2 parcels of submerged land in Upper Matecumbe Key, one parcel described as being in the Bay of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less, and the second parcel described as being in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, containing 1.11 acres, more or less. The parcels were advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcels applied for in favor of Mr. Roberts, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 379-44-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer from Gilbert deB. Hunt, abutting upland owner, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 24, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of Mr. Hunt, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 382-44-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees authorized advertisement upon offer from M. Lewis Hall, abutting owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in the Straits

of Florida in Sections 14 and 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, in Lower Matecumbe Key, containing a total of 8.14 acres, more or less. The parcels were advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcels in favor of Mr. Hall, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 383-44-253.12. On April 28th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Marion C. Culver, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Sections 11 and 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 1.20 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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POLK COUNTY: File No. 366-53-253.36. On April 14th application was presented from Marquis Pickard and wife, abutting owners, represented by A. R. Surles, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of permanently reclaimed lake bottom in Lake Bonny in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, containing 1.31 acre, more or less, in the City of Lakeland, and the applicants offered \$500.00 per acre, the price set by the Trustees. The parcel was advertised in The Lakeland Ledger, Lakeland, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the land in favor of the applicant, at \$500.00 per acre.

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POLK COUNTY: File No. 363-53-253.36. On April 14th application was presented from Florida Central Broadcasting Company, abutting upland owner represented by A. R. Surles, Jr., for purchase of 3.98 acres, more or less, of permanently reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Bonny in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, City of Lakeland. The applicants offered \$500.00 per acre, the price set by Trustees. The parcel was advertised in The Lakeland Ledger, Lakeland, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received to the sale. Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel in favor of the applicant, at \$500.00 per acre.

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POLK COUNTY: File No. 364-53-253.36. On April 14th the Trustees considered application from D. B. Ward, abutting upland owner, represented by Holland, Bevis, McRae & Smith, for purchase of a parcel of permanently reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Bonny in Section 17, Township 28 South, Range 24 East, containing 9.3 acres, more or less, in the City of Lakeland. The applicant agreed to the price set by the Trustees, \$500.00 per acre, and the parcel was advertised in The Lakeland Ledger, Lakeland, Florida, with proof of publication filed with the Trustees. No objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel in favor of the applicant, at \$500.00 per acre.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12. The Director presented request from Carl A. Norberg and wife for adjustment of price offered for sale, confirmed by the Trustees on November 25, 1958, of 87.44 acres, more or less, of submerged land in San Carlos Bay in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, abutting Government Lot 2 in said Section 23, Government Lots 1 and 2 in said Section 14, and Government Lot 2 in said Section 13, on Sanibel Island. Errors and discrepancies in the U. S. Survey made accurate, dependable legal description impracticable as to the submerged land sold on November 25, adjacent to the Norberg lots, which aggregated 101 acres but proved to include little land above normal high water.

Supplemental application was presented for purchase of 101.53 acres in Tarpon Bay, being a strip southerly of and adjacent to applicants' government lots in Sections 13, 14 and 15, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, on Sanibel Island, which would make feasible an accurate description of the total area; otherwise, difficult and expensive surveys would be required. The Director recommended the sale of the proposed additional area, which was within the established bulkhead line.

It was explained to the Board that the Norberg land was accessible by boat only and was remote from any development on the island, and that the appraiser, in fixing the price of \$50.00 per acre for the November 25th sale parcel indicated a proposed access bridge to the island as a factor in fixing value. Information from the State Road Department and Lee County was that the locations being considered for future bridge were not near the Norberg area. The Trustees rejected Mr. Norberg's offer of \$25.00 per acre, and made counter offer of \$37.50 per acre.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections of the 101.53 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Tarpon Bay applied for by Mr. Norberg, sale to be subject to applicant offering \$37.50 per acre.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. DADE COUNTY: File No. 367-13-253.12. Smith Haselwood, et al, upland riparian owners represented by Chastain Construction Co., offered the appraised price of \$2,000.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 8, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, 3.52 acres, more or less, in City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 38, Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps.
2. DADE COUNTY: File No. 419-13-253.12. Mary E. Gischel and A. B. Thomas, abutting upland owners, represented by William W. Muir, offered \$300.00 per acre, the 1957 appraised price, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, containing 1.22 acres, more or less, in City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 41 of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps.
3. DADE COUNTY: File No. 420-13-253.12. Martha Boyd Siekman, abutting upland owner represented by William W. Muir, offered \$300.00 per acre, the 1957 appraised price, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, containing 2.07 acres, more or less, in City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 41 of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps.
4. DADE COUNTY: File No. 421-13-253.12. Robert B. Hovey and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by William W. Muir, offered \$300.00 per acre, the 1957 appraised price, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, containing 1.72 acres, more or less, in the City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 41 of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps.



The Director explained that filling of portions of the areas under File Nos. 419, 420 and 421-13-253.12, within the accepted U. S. Pierhead and Bulkhead Line, was begun prior to June 11, 1957, and application was made in 1957 for permit under the policy authorized in 1956 for the Marshall Ader application. The Trustees' Office advised Mr. Muir of certain legislation pending action by the 1957 Legislature, and the applicant, complying with the suggestion of the staff, subsequently made application under the Bulkhead Act. In view of these facts, the Director recommended that the sales be made based on the 1957 appraisal.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 418-44-253.12. Earl E. Gray, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum deed amount in this instance, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.60 of an acre, more or less.

6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 422-44-253.12. Wallace M. Scudder, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.40 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only, of the land in the four Dade and two Monroe County applications listed above, based on the offers submitted.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND APPLICATION

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 286-05-253.12. J. M. Venable, Jr., upland riparian owner, offered \$1,500.00 for the parcel of submerged land comprising 2.72 acres, more or less, in the Banana River in front of that part of the Westerly 436.19 feet of Lot 12 lying easterly of right of way of State Road No. 520, in Block 46, Cocoa Ocean Beach Subdivision, Plat Book 10, page 16, and being within a bulkhead line fixed by Resolutions of Board of County Commissioners on April 10, 1958 and October 9, 1958. The price offered represented approximately one-half of the net value in the filled, seawalled state.

The bulkhead line with reference to the application area was recommended; however, the line proceeded easterly to the shore rather than providing an offshore limit for the type of allocation of shallows which the staff would prefer. The course of the line beyond the Venable application had been conformed to a "Dedication and Reservation of Riparian and Littoral Rights" executed by Cocoa Ocean Beach Company April 22, 1953, recorded in Deed Book 373 at page 17, which defined the line and designated a 30-foot channel to which the subdivision lots were related in the instrument, said instrument reciting that the company held no title to riparian rights beyond the projected line. The owners directly affected filed written suggestions that the line be approved as submitted, however, the Director felt that Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, allowed a more equitable distribution of water bottoms to provide the several consenting owners with a better allocation through a bulkhead line conforming to but offset from the general course of the shore line.

The Director recommended approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line fixed by the county, insofar as the Venable application was affected, advertisement for sale subject to objections only of the 2.72 acre parcel, and recommended that action be deferred as to the remainder of the bulkhead line shown on the map submitted with the application.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that the parcel applied for by Mr. Venable be advertised for objections, and that part of the bulkhead line affecting the application area be formally approved.

## BULKHEAD LINE

PINELLAS COUNTY: The Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, represented by Denny J. McGarry, Town Attorney, and James Roesler, Mayor, requested formal approval of bulkhead line about 2½ miles long fixed December 11, 1958 by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, in the waters of Boca Ciega Bay, from south boundary to north boundary of the town, coinciding with the westerly right of way line of the Intra-coastal Waterway, approximately 250 feet from the Center of the old channel, creating a 500-foot wide proposed channel for said waterway, and lying in a portion of Sections 19 and 30, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, and Sections 13, 24 and 25, Township 30 South, Range 14 East. Action on this bulkhead line was deferred without prejudice on April 14th.

The Pinellas Authority by letter dated May 20, 1959, informed the Trustees that the line ties into and will be identical with the lines of the adjacent municipalities - Town of Redington Shores on the south, and Indian Rocks Beach on the north. Many property owners and residents requested approval of the line, which would allow for development needed by the town, and no protests were filed. The Director recommended approval, conditioned upon the Pinellas Authority revoking or withdrawing the several short bulkhead lines heretofore fixed landward of the town line, the former lines not having been approved by the Trustees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, subject to cancellation or withdrawal by the Pinellas County Authority of those several short lines previously fixed landward of the line fixed December 11, 1958 for Indian Rocks Beach South Shore.

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## LEASES

DADE COUNTY: Federal Aviation Agency, holder of Lease No. 375 expiring June 20, 1959 covering 160 acres in Section 28, Township 53 South, Range 40 East, used as site for Overseas Foreign Airway Communication Station, requested new ten-year lease of the same area.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of new ten-year lease to replace the old lease, to be handled on year-to-year basis, for the annual rental of \$160.00 per year, as requested by Federal Aviation Agency.

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1959) annual rental, under the same terms and conditions.

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GLADES COUNTY: Mrs. J. S. Parson, holder of Grazing Lease No. 723 covering 30 acres in Sections 25 and 36, Township 42 South, Range 31 East, requested one-year extension from expiration date of June 1, 1959.

Motion was made, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize one-year extension of Mrs. Parson's lease, under the same terms and conditions.

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## DEDICATION; DISCLAIMERS

PINELLAS COUNTY: The State Road Department requested dedication of certain submerged land in Sections 9 and 10, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, northerly of and abutting the present right of way, for the reconstruction of a bridge at Welch Causeway on State Road No. 699.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve dedication as requested by the State Road Department.

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MARION COUNTY: Louis O. Gravely, Jr., on behalf of J. Edgar Blocker, owner of Government Lot 1 of Section 21, Township 13 South, Range 25 East, requested disclaimer of two small parcels outside of the original Government meander as shown on U. S. Survey approved July 1837 and which appeared properly to be a part of Government Lot 1. Information was that U. S. Patent issued June 24, 1878 to C. E. Arick, based on original U. S. Survey, that U. S. Survey approved March 23, 1931 included the greater part of the existing land beyond the original meander, and that ownership of the government lot was recognized to the mean high water line.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaimer of the two small parcels to Mr. Blocker, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Irving Kipnis, represented by Raymond, Wilson, Karl & Fink, applied for disclaimer under Section 253.129, Florida Statutes, to an area of land filled prior to 1951, in the Halifax River in Sections 23 and 26, Township 14 South, Range 32 East, Ormond Beach.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize disclaimer to Mr. Kipnis as requested, for the \$10.00 handling charge.

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## PERMITS

BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of State Permits to Edward Mewing and to Kenneth Delaney, for installation of groins for protection against erosion of their property at Deerfield Beach, in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of the requested permits upon payment of the usual \$10.00 fee each.

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DADE COUNTY: The Director called attention to a request by the State Road Department for U. S. permit to stockpile an estimated 3,000,000 cubic yards of material proposed to be dredged and stored near the 36th Street Causeway project in Biscayne Bay, the cut proposed to be 27 feet below low water and the stockpile 6,300 feet long and 20 feet high above low water. Protests were filed with the U. S. Engineer, as well as certain other protests brought to the attention of the Trustees.

H. W. Overstreet and Ross Stanton, of the Road Department, explained that using material from the proposed stockpile would save about a million dollars in fill material expense to the Department, and that no obstruction to navigation would result. Explanation was made that because the fill material would begin to be used immediately and constantly, while dredging of the material was in progress, in fact no stockpile of the maximum size above mentioned would develop, and that it was anticipated that all the fill material would have been used up in 18 months time. Mr. Stanton stated that complaints were not well founded.



The Trustees were concerned about possible harmful effects on boating, or creation of hazards at time of hurricanes, but the explanation from representatives of the State Road Department indicated that damage would not be caused by the stockpiling plan.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Director wire the parties protesting that they can request U. S. Engineers for a local hearing of objections. Mr. Ferguson was further directed to notify the U. S. Engineer that there would be no protest from the Trustees to the application by the State Road Department.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of State Permit to the Briny Breezes Club of Delray Beach, for construction of new groin or reconstruction of existing groin in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of permit as recommended by the Director, upon payment of the usual \$10.00 fee and posting of \$1,000.00 performance bond.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The State Road Department requested approval for dredging in Matanzas River to obtain material for construction of Project 78040-3111-01-21, relocation of a part of State Road A-1-A. The dredging would be restricted to the westerly half of the river adjacent to state-owned lands, with possible dredging in the easterly half of the river at locations approved by private owners under Section 253.126.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize permit to the State Road Department for dredging as requested.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permit to Dr. George C. Hopkins, Jr., et al, to fill submerged land recently purchased from the Trustees, File 351-55-253.12. Filed with the Trustees' office was copy of the St. Augustine City Commission's Resolution No. 1872 dated June 8, 1959, approving applicant's request to fill with material to be trucked in.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve fill permit as recommended by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

LEE COUNTY: File No. 223-36-253.12. On April 14th, sale of 118.25 acres of sovereignty land in Caloosahatchee River margin, landward of normal high water line and not including the submerged land between the shore and bulkhead line offshore, was confirmed to Abraham Zemel, abutting upland owner, subject to deed being held 60 days for reconsideration in the event the State Board of Conservation determined sale would be contrary to public interest.

The Board of Conservation filed report on study of the submerged land riverward from the shore, which was found to be rich in marine life and a productive shrimp and fish nursery. Inasmuch as the sale did not include the submerged area, the Director recommended that confirmation of sale stand, and delivery of deed be made on payment of the purchase price, but that any permit for dredging between the shore and the bulkhead line be carefully examined to avoid extensive damage to marine life.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the recommendation of the Director be accepted, as the action of the Board, and deed be delivered to Mr. Zemel.

MARION COUNTY: For information to the Board, Mr. Ferguson reported on certain work by Sandra Homes, Inc., at Smith Lake, to which Ed Reeves of Belleview filed complaints. The operator and the Sheriff cooperated with the Trustees' office in furnishing information which indicated that the work consisted of cleaning out an old canal, within and along the normally exposed upland, and upon investigation no objection was made by the State Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted that unless evidence of violation or damage was presented, the work be allowed by permit.

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Motion was made and adopted that correction be authorized in Trustees' Minutes of December 14, 1954, recorded in Volume 24, page 126, of permanent record book, to describe a parcel of Pinellas County land as being in Section 1, Township 32 South, Range 16 West instead of in Range 32 West.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: - Personnel. Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that part-time draftsman Fred Vidzes be employed effective June 1st on full time basis at rate of \$450.00 per month, which was within the amount budgeted for draftsman; also, that Trustees approve employment of Mary Bevis on part-time basis at \$1.25 per hour, for indexing and other necessary work in Land Office and Trustees' Office.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Equipment. Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees, for the record, confirm action taken on June 9th by three members approving the purchase of one Verifax Copier Model #3 at a cost of approximately \$425.00, for use in Trustees' office.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Report No. 724 listing 3 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto.

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CITRUS COUNTY: Darwin Fausnet requested quitclaim deed to clear his title to Lots 1 to 20 inclusive of Block 1, Lots 1 to 7 inclusive of Block 2, C. A. Miller's Resub. of Lots 257 to 274 inclusive, and 302 to 315 inclusive of Crystal Park Addition to Crystal River, in Sections 15, 16 and 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East. Attorney General Ervin approved quitclaim to the applicant of any title the state might have under provisions of Section 9, Chapter 18296, for a consideration.

Motion was made and adopted that quitclaim deed to Mr. Fausnet be issued as approved by the Attorney General, upon payment of \$27.00, which was on the basis of \$1.00 per lot.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: Jesse F. Warren, Jr., on behalf of Fedora Floyd Warren, offered \$320.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act", of 320 acres described as an undivided one-half interest in SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, and an undivided one-half interest in SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 8 South, Range 8 West. Application complied with the law, and the offer made was at the rate of \$1.00 per acre.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that conveyance to applicant be authorized under Chapter 28317, at the price offered.

SARASOTA COUNTY: To remove cloud on his title, Albert Stokes offered \$25.00 for quitclaim of whatever right, title or interest the state might have in all those portions of abandoned streets in plat of Woodland Homes Unit #1, Plat Book 3, page 9, Sarasota County records, said streets being adjacent to lots conveyed in Sarasota County Murphy Act Deed No. 1672.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed as requested, for the price offered.

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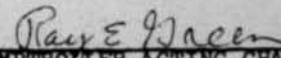
SUMTER COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees reject the highest bid of \$38.00 for Lots 4, 5 and 6 of Block "Q" Webster, made at Murphy Act sale of April 6, 1959, and that base bid of \$75.00 per lot be fixed when lots are offered for resale.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
COMPTROLLER-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 23, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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#### LAND SALES

##### COMPETITIVE BIDS:

LEE COUNTY: File No. 195-36-253.12. On April 21 the Trustees approved bulkhead line established by Lee County on April 8, 1959 and considered offer by Ralph G. Turner of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre for purchase of the offshore sovereignty sandbar and mangrove area with adjacent submerged land to total 5 acres, in Matlacha Pass in unsurveyed Section 31, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, commonly known as Givney Key. No objections were received to the sale, which was advertised for competitive bids and objections in the Fort Myers News Press and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

Bids were received from Charles DeMaya, Fred Gillmore, and Max I. Herschberg, and on the sale date competitive bidding resulted in offer by W. P. Carrin of high bid of \$600.00 per acre, plus the survey and publication costs of \$537.80, which amount was required to be reimbursed to the applicant following the procedure authorized by the Trustees on September 16, 1958.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of high bidder, W. P. Carrin, subject to his making the required reimbursement to Mr. Turner for costs, which was done.

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##### OBJECTIONS ONLY:

DADE COUNTY: File No. 356-13-253.12. On May 5 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$2,500.00 from Antonio Arias, the abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 29, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, in City of Miami, lying easterly of and abutting Tract "A", of San Souci Estates, containing 0.64 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 37 of Dade County maps. The parcel was advertised in the Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed by Alexander Veerman, M. F. Jelke and by letter bearing ten signatures from Keystone Point Home Owners Association, the basis for objections being stated as impeding navigation, causing traffic hazard, and causing devaluation of their property across the canal from the proposed sale area. The City of North Miami protested sale and filling, but subsequently withdrew the protest and advised that they proposed to have a further hearing on the matter at some future time.

W. Turner Wallis, on behalf of the applicant, presented maps and aerial photographs and explained that the applicant's plan would not interfere with navigation or cause the damage suggested by the objections and that Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District had no objections to the work. Mr. Arias told of the work which had been done in preparation and stated that the objections were unfounded.

The Director advised that the sale appeared proper, and he would comply with the Board's request that an examination be made on the ground.

The Trustees were of the opinion that the objections should be overruled as the proposed development out to the established bulkhead line appeared to be reasonable.

Motion was made and adopted that the Director notify the City of North Miami that the Trustees confirm sale to Mr. Arias of the parcel applied for, unless there was further protest from the city within 30 days.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 377-13-253.12. On May 5 the Trustees considered offer by The Cromwell, Inc., represented by Shepard Broad, of \$2,890.00 per acre, the appraised price, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, containing 1.25 acres, more or less, and also the application by the City of Miami for dedication of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay containing 0.55 of an acre, southerly of and abutting the above parcel, for extension of Northeast 35th Street to the bulkhead line. Both parcels are within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 39 of the Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps.

The parcels were advertised for objections in the Miami Herald, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale to The Cromwell, Inc. of the parcel applied for, and authorize dedication without charge to the City of Miami of the parcel requested for street extension, which will be filled by the applicant at no cost to the city.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 245-43-253.12. On May 5 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections upon offer by Vernon A. Lake, abutting owner represented by Charles B. McAdam, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 15, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 0.31 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Stuart News, Stuart, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests were received to sale of the parcel.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. Lake, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 371-44-253.12. On May 5 the Trustees considered offer by Benjamin Hodgers, Jr., abutting owner represented by John P. Goggin, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 0.8 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of Mr. Hodgers, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 392-44-253.12. On May 12 the Trustees considered application by George H. Grayson, upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of \$300.00 per acre, the appraised price, for two (2) tracts of submerged land in the

Straits of Florida, fronting portions of Tract "F" of Matecumbe Ocean-Bay Subdivision Section Two, Lower Matecumbe Key, in Section 11, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing a total of 1.24 acres, more or less. The parcels were advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protest was received from Jack Davis based on the direction of the lot lines of the proposed sale. The Director explained that any other projection of the upland lot lines would not be equitable and the Trustees upon examination of the map submitted expressed the feeling that it was a reasonable extension.

Motion was made and adopted that the objection be overruled, and sale be confirmed in favor of Mr. Grayson, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 393-44-253.12. On May 12 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre by Lon Worth Crow Company, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 394-44-253.12. On May 12 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Lester B. DuBell, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Government Lot 1, Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, on Plantation Key, containing 5.0 acres, more or less. The area was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. DuBell, at the price offered.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 212-51-253.12. Mr. Ferguson reported that subsequent to the meeting on October 7, 1958 when the Trustees considered application by Howard A. Burkland and Associates for 1,579 acres, more or less, and bulkhead line encompassing the area, the County withdrew the bulkhead line for further consideration before approval by the Trustees. Mr. Burkland submitted revised application covering 729.9 acres, more or less, of submerged lands in the Gulf of Mexico in Sections 31-25-16, 36-25-15, 1, 12 & 13-26-15, adjacent to his upland property, and request was made for approval by the Trustees of the new bulkhead line approved by the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County on March 10, 1959.

The applicant filed with the Trustees' office a copy of Resolution adopted January 26, 1959 by the New Port Richey City Council in approval of Mr. Burkland's proposed improvement of the coastal lands lying to the west of the city limits, and also filed copy of an Agreement dated January 23, 1959 between applicant and city as to beaches, access roads, and development of the lands.

Sam Allgood, on behalf of the developer, presented the new plan and explained the maps submitted. In the new layout, two thirty-acre tracts fronting on the Gulf were designated as public beaches,



one for the county and the other for the City of New Port Richey, and a 50-acre site designated for school had been accepted by the School Board. The plan examined by the Trustees also showed areas for two golf courses and another recreation area. Mr. Burkland stated that he had retained the Coastal Engineering Laboratory as consultant, and had complied with its reports in details of the development plan, and that the bulk of material to be used would be provided by the construction of canals.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the type of design in the new layout was better than the one submitted last year. He recommended approval of the bulkhead line and sale of the areas previously advertised that lie within the new bulkhead line, and called attention to two small parcels in the new design which were not within the previously advertised area and therefore could not be included in the present application. He recommended requirement of definite commitments for the beach and school sites on the sovereignty land to be implemented in separate instrument.

Mr. Ferguson reviewed the objections which had been presented to the former plan, none of which appeared sound with reference to the revised bulkhead line.

Milton D. Jones was present on behalf of S. B. Mickler, et al, holders of a mortgage on the adjacent property to the south, who objected to the angle of the bulkhead line and application line between the properties. It was pointed out that the fee owners interposed no objections, and that Mr. Jones' protest was to advise the Trustees and the applicants formally that in case the Micklers had to foreclose the mortgage, they considered the application was an encroachment on their riparian rights.

Mr. Larson suggested that the Trustees withhold delivery of the deed or contract for 30 days, to allow suit to be brought if the objectors desired.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line and sale of the land in the new application, with the exception of the two small parcels not previously advertised, subject to the commitments which had been made by the developer in favor of the city and county being assured and finalized in separate instrument, and the Director was authorized to work out details.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

BRADFORD COUNTY: Paul F. Hoffman applied to purchase Government Lots 7, 8, N $\frac{1}{2}$  of 9, and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of 11 in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 20 East, containing 245.85 acres, making offer of \$15.50 per acre, which was in excess of the 1958 appraisal. The appraiser reported that the land was mainly mud swamp, subject to overflow, that removal of the small amount of timber would not be profitable, and that grazing of cattle was feasible only during dry winters. Applicant proposed to use the area as a hunting preserve, and the Director recommended advertisement for competitive bids.

Motion was made and adopted that the land be advertised for competitive bids, based on offer made by Mr. Hoffman.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 404-11-253.12. Naples Bay Industries, represented by W. Turner Wallis, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 3, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 1.0 acre within the established bulkhead line approved by the Trustees October 22, 1957.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 403-44-253.12. A. J. Borchester, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 33, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, Boca Chica Key, containing 2.06 acres.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 425-44-253.12. Suzanne Harvison, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 2 parcels of submerged land in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, in the Bay of Florida and in the Straits of Florida, Key Largo, containing 4.8 acres.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 428-44-253.12. James G. Adams, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Niles Channel in Section 36, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Summerland Key, containing 0.40 of an acre.

5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 429-44-253.12. Arthur B. Hersberger offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 24, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, on Grassy Key, containing 0.95 of an acre.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the land in the Collier and Monroe County applications listed above, based on the offers submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 430-44-253.12. J. G. D. Manwaring of Medford, Mass., the abutting upland owner, applied to purchase a tract of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 26, 27 and 28 of Township 65 South, Range 27 East, lying southerly of Sawyer Keys, comprising 29.0 acres, more or less.

The Director recommended denial of the application, because of the shape of the proposed extension from the shore, and the Trustees examined the map submitted.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees deny application of Mr. Manwaring, as recommended by the Director.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 426-50-253.12. Elias J. Bendeck, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.658 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 1.051 acres. Offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre was made for the parcel to be conveyed by deed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 for handling, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be deeded, based on the offer submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 427-50-253.12. George J. Nassef, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.959 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.524 of an acre. Mr. Nassef offered the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre for the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 for handling, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be deeded, based on the offer submitted.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

**PINELLAS COUNTY:** The Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority referred to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established on April 9, 1959, extending southward from the South City Limits of Tarpon Springs to the North City Limits of Dunedin, being a portion of a proposed county-wide bulkhead line, however omitting a one-half mile section immediately north of Dunedin which had been annexed by the city and would be included in its bulkhead line, omitting a section left open at the area known as Seaside Assembly Subdivision for possible future development, and also omitting at the Tarpon Springs city limits a small section on which application by James Thomas was pending. The Director called attention to a large area, Garden Island, for which no bulkhead line was set.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as established by the Pinellas Authority on April 9, 1959.

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#### LAND EXCHANGE; LEASES

**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** On June 2 the Trustees were advised that additional lands were needed by the Everglades Experiment Station, that suitable state land was not available, but that the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 37 East, owned by James A. Ball, Jr., could be secured for perpetual leasing to the Station through an exchange, which was approved in the broad general plan by the Trustees. Mr. Ball stated that although he would sustain some loss of rental, he would exchange the 320 acres in Section 8 for two tracts in Sections 13 and 24 of Township 43 South, Range 36 East, containing 457.53 acres (less 18.83 acres right of way) held under Trustees Leases 789 and 810, expiring July 1, 1961, one of which was prepaid.

The appraisal, which cost the Trustees \$450.00, reported the following values on the lands in question:

Lands in Sections 13 & 24-43-36	
under lease to James A. Ball	\$169,044.71
Lands in Section 8-44-37 owned	
by Ball	<u>160,000.00</u>
Difference in value appraised	<u>\$ 9,044.71</u>

Mr. Ball filed statement showing the net rental received for the past fiscal year from W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 8, and like amount expected from rental for next two years, would amount to \$13,633.36. In addition, he had prepaid Lease 789 in the sum of \$2,236.00, which added to the rental figure amounted to \$15,869.36, which was more than the difference in appraised values. He offered to exchange on an even basis, making the land in Section 8 available to the Station by July 1st, as requested by Dr. W. T. Foresee.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve exchange, on an even basis, with Mr. Ball as outlined, and authorize perpetual lease to the Experiment Station of the 320 acres in Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 37 East, subject to the Station paying the taxes and the cost of the appraisal.



DADE COUNTY: DesRocher Sand Company, holder of Sand Lease No. 655-A expiring July 14, 1959, requested a 2-year extension. The lease covered offshore areas (a) near Terminal Island, southwest of Meloy Channel; (b) west of Fisher's Island; and southeast of Cape Florida, with 15¢ per cubic yard royalty.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize 2-year extension of the lease as requested.

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DADE COUNTY: Dr. Jerome D. Harold, holder of campsite Lease No. 946 on Long Arsenicker Key, requested 5-year renewal effective June 16, but through error the request was submitted June 16 as 1-year renewal, and approved by the Trustees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees rescind action taken on June 16th, and approve 5-year renewal to Dr. Harold of Lease No. 946, under the same terms and conditions, at \$50.00 annual rental.

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TREASURE AND SALVAGE OPERATIONS: The Director called attention to a feature article in "The All-Florida Weekly Magazine", issue of June 21, entitled "A Treasure Hunt Vacation", which furnished misleading or incomplete information regarding exploration for treasure and salvage operations, without mention of state ownership or need for any license. The Land Office records showed that F. L. Coffman, author of the article, was furnished information regarding the requirement of state license and regulations in 1958.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Director be instructed to advise the magazine of the policy of the Trustees pertaining to state lease or permit for treasure and salvage operations in the navigable waters within the legal boundaries of the State of Florida, enclosing copy of Trustees' requirements so that the magazine, if interested, might print the information for the public.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: The Trustees agreed on July 7 as date for hearing on application of Joseph O. Macbeth, on behalf of Leon Tubbs, for disclaimer of a 4-acre parcel of marsh land in Little Lake Jackson, an unmeandered lake in N½ of NE¼ of Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East, being lands patented to the state and sold by the Trustees in 1884.

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LEE COUNTY: Request was made by DeCourcy Levering, on behalf of Captiva Erosion Prevention District, for hearing before the Trustees regarding an urgent erosion problem.

Comptroller Green suggested that the Director set up a date for the hearing, and advise Mr. Levering that the Trustees would follow the recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. It was so ordered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The State Road Department requested dedication for highway purposes of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom lands owned by the Trustees in Section 20, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, for the construction of two drainage ditches as a part of the construction of State Roads 25 and 80, Sec. 93100-2113.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve dedication as requested by the State Road Department.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority Fill Permit No. DF 90 in favor of M. M. Lindellie, to fill that area purchased from the Trustees under File No. 243-52-253.12.

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The Director requested that the Trustees clarify the arrangement for future payment of salaries and other expenses for the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions Building Expediter. The Minutes of March 26, 1957 authorized payment of salary of expediter and secretary, to be reimbursed upon issuance and validation of revenue certificates. On September 25, 1958, the Development Commission reimbursed the Trustees in sum of \$11,056.04, which included advances for salaries, travel and supplies, and since that date the Trustees have advanced more than \$12,000.00 for which the Development Commission will be billed at the end of the fiscal year. The Minutes disclose no time limit for the arrangement, or limit on the amount, which should be clarified for auditing purposes.

The Trustees suggested that Mr. Ferguson review the matter with Terry Lee.

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The Director asked for authorization for continuing payment by the Trustees of salary and expense for the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions. He reported that the Indian Commissioner submitted budget June 11, 1957 for the fiscal years 1957-59, which was approved by both Boards, and that office space and furniture were authorized by the Trustees July 23, 1957. Budget for 1959-61 as prepared by Colonel Denton was submitted to the Trustees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve continuing payment by the Trustees, subject to approval of the budget by the Comptroller, who serves as chairman of the Indian Affairs Committee.

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OFFICE EQUIPMENT: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize purchase of 2 sets of Kardex-type Index File Systems at an approximate cost of \$368.80, for use in the Land Office and the Trustees' Office.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 725 listing 4 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorize issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 4895-Corrective to Mrs. Rebekah Baker to add certificate numbers to the description of land conveyed in original deed.

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LEVY COUNTY: Cedar Key Heights, Inc., requested quitclaim of state road rights of way and oil and mineral reservations contained in Levy County Murphy Act Deed No. 265 insofar as same affected "All of Blocks 1 through 13, inclusive, of Suwannee Terrace, Map Book 2, Page 31, of Public Records of Levy County", which land was double-assessed and the amount of \$1,055.00 received by the State was refunded. The Attorney General approved quitclaim for a fee to be fixed by Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed as requested upon receipt of \$25.00.

The Director reported that the Legislative Reference Bureau advised it was the intent of the 1959 Legislature to transfer the expense of administering the Murphy Act from the General Revenue Fund to the Trustees. He recommended approval of transfer of Ernest Hewitt and Mrs. June Conner from the General Revenue payroll to the Trustees' payroll, effective July 1.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the transfers as recommended.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

Ray E. Green  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: [Signature]  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 30, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meeting of June 16, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: For Competitive Bids. On June 2nd the Trustees considered offer of \$175.00 per acre, the 1956 appraised value, for Sections 31 and 32, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, 1,223.2 acres, by Seadade Realty, Inc., represented by Ernest J. Hewett. Action was deferred for new appraisal, which placed the value of the land at \$200.00 per acre.

The Director reported that he had investigated the suggestion that sale be held in Dade County, but that Sections 270.08 and 270.09 provide for notice and bids to be received only at Tallahassee. He recommended advertisement for competitive bids for sale of the tract, less any rights of way required by Dade County or Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement for competitive bids, based on the appraised value, less any part of the tract which might be required by the County or the District as recommended by the Director.



## BULKHEAD LINE

**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Board of County Commissioners referred to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established on June 22, 1959, in the Jupiter River and along the Intracoastal Waterway, westerly of Government Lot 4 in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East. The Trustees examined the map submitted and the bulkhead line recommended by the Director for approval.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line established on June 22, 1959, by Palm Beach County.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**DADE COUNTY:** Joseph I. Davis applied for campsite lease of an area 135 by 200 feet on Long Arsenicker Key, offering \$35.00 per year. The Director reported that the parcel had been leased in recent years at \$50.00 annually.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve 5-year lease to Mr. Davis, at \$50.00 annual rental.

**DADE COUNTY:** Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested, for canal right of way purposes, the North 100 feet of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, Township 53 South, Range 40 East, containing 3.01 acres, and a 0.21 acre parcel in the Northeast corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 28, and the Director advised that the Trustees hold fee title to the S $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the section.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve that easement be granted in favor of the District, as requested.

**ESCAMBIA COUNTY:** File No. 438-17-253.12. On October 22, 1957 the Trustees considered request of the U. S. Department of the Navy for one-half acre of submerged land in Pensacola Bay adjacent to the Naval Air Station. The application, subsequently revised to 2.16 acres, was approved and deed without reservations was authorized, to contain clause providing for reversion when no longer used for purposes of the Federal Government. Attention was then directed to the fact that the exemption of state, county and municipal projects by Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, did not appear to extend to and include the United States.

The Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County referred to the Trustees for formal approval a bulkhead line established on May 15, 1959 for the U. S. Naval project. The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line and advertisement of the parcel for objections.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line fixed by Escambia County, and authorize advertisement for objections of the parcel applied for by the U. S. Department of the Navy, the only charge to the applicant to be the cost of advertising.

**MANATEE COUNTY:** Glen B. Wittstruck made application for (a) the use of 7,000 cubic yards of fill material to improve his uplands in Section 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, Longboat Key, and (b) formal approval of Fill Permit issued by Town of Longboat Key on June 9, 1959 for the pumping of additional material to improve submerged bottoms purchased by Mr. Wittstruck in said Section 24.

The Director reported that the Legislative Reference Bureau advised it was the intent of the 1959 Legislature to transfer the expense of administering the Murphy Act from the General Revenue Fund to the Trustees. He recommended approval of transfer of Ernest Hewitt and Mrs. June Conner from the General Revenue payroll to the Trustees' payroll, effective July 1.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the transfers as recommended.

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The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meeting of June 16, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: For Competitive Bids. On June 2nd the Trustees considered offer of \$175.00 per acre, the 1956 appraised value, for Sections 31 and 32, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, 1,223.2 acres, by Seadade Realty, Inc., represented by Ernest J. Hewett. Action was deferred for new appraisal, which placed the value of the land at \$200.00 per acre.

The Director reported that he had investigated the suggestion that sale be held in Dade County, but that Sections 270.08 and 270.09 provide for notice and bids to be received only at Tallahassee. He recommended advertisement for competitive bids for sale of the tract, less any rights of way required by Dade County or Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement for competitive bids, based on the appraised value, less any part of the tract which might be required by the County or the District as recommended by the Director.

#### BULKHEAD LINE

PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners referred to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established on June 22, 1959, in the Jupiter River and along the Intracoastal Waterway, westerly of Government Lot 4 in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East. The Trustees examined the map submitted and the bulkhead line recommended by the Director for approval.

Motion was made and adopted, that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line established on June 22, 1959, by Palm Beach County.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: Joseph I. Davis applied for campsite lease of an area 135 by 200 feet on Long Arsenicker Key, offering \$35.00 per year. The Director reported that the parcel had been leased in recent years at \$50.00 annually.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve 5-year lease to Mr. Davis, at \$50.00 annual rental.

DADE COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested, for canal right of way purposes, the North 100 feet of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, Township 53 South, Range 40 East, containing 3.01 acres, and a 0.21 acre parcel in the Northeast corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 28, and the Director advised that the Trustees hold fee title to the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the section.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve that easement be granted in favor of the District, as requested.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: File No. 438-17-253.12. On October 22, 1957 the Trustees considered request of the U. S. Department of the Navy for one-half acre of submerged land in Pensacola Bay adjacent to the Naval Air Station. The application, subsequently revised to 2.16 acres, was approved and deed without reservations was authorized, to contain clause providing for reversion when no longer used for purposes of the Federal Government. Attention was then directed to the fact that the exemption of state, county and municipal projects by Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, did not appear to extend to and include the United States.

The Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County referred to the Trustees for formal approval a bulkhead line established on May 15, 1959 for the U. S. Naval project. The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line and advertisement of the parcel for objections.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line fixed by Escambia County, and authorize advertisement for objections of the parcel applied for by the U. S. Department of the Navy, the only charge to the applicant to be the cost of advertising.

MANATEE COUNTY: Glen B. Wittstruck made application for (a) the use of 7,000 cubic yards of fill material to improve his uplands in Section 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, Longboat Key, and (b) formal approval of Fill Permit issued by Town of Longboat Key on June 9, 1959 for the pumping of additional material to improve submerged bottoms purchased by Mr. Wittstruck in said Section 24.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of fill permit for the 7,000 cubic yards requested for use on applicant's upland, for \$350.00, based on the usual rate; also, the Trustees approved Fill Permit issued by Town of Longboat Key to Mr. Wittstruck for pumping additional material to improve the bottoms previously purchased by Mr. Wittstruck.

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MARION COUNTY: Winbald Corporation, represented by Greene, Ayres and Green, made application to dredge 8,000 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Lake Weir from an area riparian to applicant's uplands in Section 23, Township 17 South, Range 23 East.

The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission recommended that permit not be issued for dredging of the lake bottom, as such work in Lake Weir would damage fish spawning grounds and disturb kaolin clay deposits on the lake bottom, thereby causing long-lasting clouding of the lake waters. The Game Commission suggested that any fill material used should be hauled in, and not dredged from the lake bottom.

Commissioner Mayo recommended against any dredging in Lake Weir, and the Director recommended that all applications for such dredging be denied.

Motion was made by Mr. Mayo, and adopted, that the Trustees deny the application of Winbald Corporation, and go on record as denying all future applications for dredging in Lake Weir.

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MONROE COUNTY: F. P. Sadowski Corporation, represented by Dubbin, Schiff, Berkman and Dubbin, applied for corrective deed to correct the name of the grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 20575 dated July 10, 1955.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of corrective deed as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Claude A. Burnell and wife, represented by Carey and Harrison, applied for corrective deed to correct the description in Trustees' Deed No. 20832 dated December 21, 1943.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of the corrective deed requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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LEE COUNTY: Mr. Ferguson advised the Trustees that representatives on behalf of Captiva Erosion Prevention District will be present on July 7, 1959, to speak to the Trustees regarding erosion problems.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Trustees fixed the date of July 8th, Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock, for final action on the fill and development plans of the City of Dunedin, by Curlew Properties, Inc., for the Caladesi-Honeymoon Islands area approved for conveyance by the Trustees on May 12, 1959.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: The Director recommended authority for expenditure of Trustees' funds in the amount of \$11,800.00, as Trustees' part in continuing cooperative agreement with U. S. Geological Survey program of investigations of water resources of the important lakes in Florida, for the 1959-60 fiscal year. He explained that \$3,600.00 of the total amount requested will be the state's contribution on 50% basis, to be matched with Federal funds; and the sum of \$8,200.00

of the total amount requested will be on 25% basis, to be matched by like contribution from local sources, providing a total of \$16,400.00 which will be matched equally by Federal funds. The total Federal matching fund for this program for 1959-60 will be \$20,000.00.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize participation in the cooperative agreement with the U. S. Geological Survey for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1959, on the basis outlined.

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COMMITMENT OF TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Information was presented to the Trustees that under United State Government program, selection will be made of five (5) locations for Sea Water Conversion Demonstration Plants, Key West, Florida, being under consideration as one site. Request was made for contribution from the State of Florida of \$50,000.00 for assisting in the Sea Water Conversion project, if the selection of the Florida site is approved by the United States Department of the Interior.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve the proposed Sea Water Conversion Demonstration Plant being located in Florida, and that \$50,000.00 of Trustees' funds be set up as a commitment, the sum to be contributed if the plan is consummated for location of one of the plants in Florida.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 726 listing 1 regular bid for sale of Murphy Act land.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Ray E. Green*  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: *[Signature]*  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 7, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the minutes of the meetings of June 23 and 30, 1959, were approved.

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### LAND SALES

**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 283-44-253.12. On January 27 the Trustees deferred action on the offer of the appraised price of \$240.00 per acre by Little Conch Key Investment Corporation, upland owner, represented by Walter S. C. Rogers, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida easterly of Little Conch Key, being a part of Section 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East. To remove the cause for objections which had been filed by J. Paul Walker and wife, applicant revised plan by including 50-foot strip for canal and access to that area northwest of objector's property, thereby reducing the area originally applied for to 24.3 acres, more or less.

The Trustees examined the plat submitted with the revised application, which the Director recommended for approval.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule objections and confirm sale of the 24.3 acre parcel within the previously advertised area, to Little Conch Key Investment Corp. at the price offered.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The City of West Palm Beach offered the appraised price of \$5,000.00 for the purchase of a parcel of land at the northwest end of Lake Mangonia in Section 5, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 4.382 acres, more or less, for which the city had a buyer with development plans. The Director recommended that sale of the marsh area be authorized without advertisement, and that conveyance be made by quitclaim deed under authority of Chapter 27806, Special Acts of 1951 and to carry out the intent of the Trustees in their original conveyance of Lake Mangonia marginal lands.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale to the City of West Palm Beach at the price offered, as recommended.

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### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 27-44-253.12. Iva Storm Davis, represented by Paul E. Sawyer, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.82 acres.
2. **MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 95-44-253.12. Anna Dagney Johnson, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 0.83 of an acre of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 12, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections of the two parcels of Monroe County land, based on the offers presented.

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### BULKHEAD LINES

**COLLIER COUNTY:** On February 3, 1959, the Trustees deferred action on a bulkhead line fixed by the City of Naples by Resolution 724 dated December 10, 1958, and the city was requested to cut back certain portion of the line and furnish a continuous bulkhead line for the area.



By Resolution No. 750 dated June 3, 1959, the City of Naples established an amended bulkhead line in front of property in Section 15, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, which the Director recommended for approval, pointing out on the map how the city had cut back the line at one place one hundred feet to comply with the Trustees' recommendation. Information from the City Manager was that progress was being made on a continuous line, and that the city was trying to establish all bulkhead lines as fast as possible.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the bulkhead line adopted by the City of Naples by Resolution No. 750 dated June 3, 1959.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line established by the Town of Hypoluxo by Ordinance No. 7 adopted June 8, 1959 for that part of Lake Worth which lies within the corporate limits of the town, west of Intracoastal Waterway, south of the south corporate limits of the Town of Lantana and north of the corporate limits of the Town of Boynton.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line of the Town of Hypoluxo, in Palm Beach County, as adopted by the Town Council on June 8, 1959.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line established by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on April 23, 1959, for the City of Gulfport, in Boca Ciega Bay, within the corporate limits of the city. The Trustees examined the maps submitted, and expressed the opinion that it was a good line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line for the City of Gulfport established by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 103-52-253.12. On January 13th the Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to inspect on the ground the 40.4 acres of submerged land in Cooper's Bayou, Tampa Bay, easterly of uplands owned by A. E. Mann and Lloyd Cole in Government Lot 2 in Section 10, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, within bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and referred to the Trustees for approval. Mann and Cole offered the appraised value of \$450.00 per acre for the parcel.

The Director submitted an adverse report on the project based on his inspection, calling attention to features of the development plan which had received local objections not resolved in the County Authority's hearings. He stated that the recommended bulkhead line for the City of Safety Harbor, adjacent to the subject area, was 500 feet offshore, which would mean an abrupt shift of 1,900 feet in offshore limits for transition from the Mann-Cole line to the city's line, defeating any planning for an orderly shore contour. It was also pointed out that the Mann-Cole bulkhead line did not appear to be coordinated with the City of Clearwater line. Objections were on file with the Trustees to the applicants' plan to substitute for the 1,100 foot width of the shallow mouth of Cooper's Bayou a proposed 150 foot channel 8 feet deep along the southerly boundary, in appearance and effect closing the entrance to the Bayou with a filled land mass. The Director stated that the design of the fill was good in itself, but was not recommended for the location under consideration even if further modified, and he recommended rejection of both the bulkhead line and the application to purchase.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees reject the bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for the area, and deny the application to purchase by A.E. Mann and Lloyd Cole.

### MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: The State Road Department requested temporary easement for dredging purposes covering an area in the Banana River in Section 16, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, required in the construction of State Road 401, Section 70080-2202.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of easement to the State Road Department as requested.

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DADE COUNTY: C. B. Forrester applied for 10-year campsite lease covering 1 acre in northeasterly corner of Arsenicker Key, in unsurveyed Section 12, Township 58 South, Range 40 East. Information was that Mr. Forrester previously applied for a lease site on East Arsenicker Key, which was approved by the Trustees on October 14, 1958, but lease was never issued due to applicant changing location of the area desired.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve lease of the Arsenicker Key site to Mr. Forrester with lease rental at \$50.00 per year for the first five (5) years, to be increased to \$75.00 per year for the second five (5) years.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Joseph McBeth made application on behalf of Leon Tubbs and wife for disclaimer of a 4-acre parcel of marsh land in Little Lake Jackson in the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East, in recognition of the existence of land and the record title. Information was furnished that said land was not meandered in the official U. S. Surveys, and the entire N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 6 was patented by the United States to the State of Florida and conveyed by the Trustees December 13, 1884 to Jacksonville, Tampa & Key West Railway Company, predecessor in the record title to applicant. Portions of the lake were reported to be navigable, including areas deepened, and a dam was installed in 1945 to elevate the water level. Taxes were assessed and paid on the area since 1956. The lake area was classed by the U. S. survey as swamp and overflowed land. The Director recommended that in the event of satisfactory evidence that the area is not properly sovereignty lake bottom of the state, disclaimer appeared in order for a charge of \$50.00.

Frank E. Bryant, on behalf of a certain lakefront owner, objected to construction of the area as swamp and overflowed land.

The Trustees were informed that some years ago when the Road Department did some filling, material spilled over and created part of the land. Also, it was pointed out that the level of the lake had been raised, making determination of the ordinary high water mark difficult. A recent survey was furnished at the request of the staff, on which determination of the facts should be based.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees refer the matter to Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, and the Director, authorizing issuance of disclaimer to the applicant at their discretion, for the recommended charge of \$50.00, covering that portion of the 4 acres applied for which is determined by the investigation to be proper, without necessity for further action by the Trustees.

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LEE COUNTY: Captiva Erosion Prevention District applied for state permit to install measures to combat critical erosion on the island, which threatened private property as well as the state road and bridge. Ted Levering, Chairman of the District, told the Trustees that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory's report disclosed that there was an annual erosion of seven (?) feet with no prospect of natural decrease or stabilization in the land mass, part of which was only 150 feet wide as a barrier between the Gulf and Blind Pass.

Mr. Ferguson advised that the Coastal Laboratory report provided construction data for a dike for one area with adjustable groins and current breaker structure to follow in three years, a sloping seawall at another location to protect the road, and sand nourishment by pumping was recommended.

Paul Stahlin, Field Representative of the District, explained that no application was being made for money from the Trustees, as approximately \$200,000 would be available from local sources to finance the system of groins and control structures which the District felt it could afford to install. He stated that the Laboratory's recommendations would require funds outside the financial reach of the District, and asked for permission to develop the proposed control structures as an immediate minimum program because of the urgency of the erosion damage. If other funds became available, the District would follow the program recommended by the Laboratory, as there would be no conflict between the control measures.

Dr. Per Bruun, of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, expressed the opinion that permeable groins, while helpful in rivers, are of little value in stabilizing or building up coastal islands, that the works proposed by the District were not recommended, and that due to the seriousness of the erosion the available funds should be used in the best way possible. However, in view of the District's urgent request to use its system, he suggested that it be allowed to proceed on the privately owned areas, modifying the plans as much as possible to meet recommendations, but that for the areas involving the public road they consult R. O. Eaton, of the U. S. Beach Erosion Board, who will very shortly make an investigation on the ground and assist the Coastal Laboratory in the matter. He suggested that the State Road Department, when apprised of the facts, might contribute to the cost of remedial measures to protect the public road, and that some funds might be available from the U. S. Beach Erosion Board.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees approve state permit to the Captiva Erosion Prevention District as to the privately owned areas, that the District comply with suggestions of Dr. Eaton and Dr. Bruun as far as practicable, and that the report of this matter be referred to the State Road Department with request for assistance in protection of the public road, which should be commenced with all possible haste.

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LEVY COUNTY: The Fish and Wildlife Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior requested permission to carry out field experiments by using toxic gases for the purpose of destroying marauding black-birds, on Dog Island in Levy County in unsurveyed Sections 28 and 33, Township 15 South, Range 13 East, described as a small, low, isolated, uninhabited island lying about a mile east of Cedar Key. Information was that the gases would not destroy vegetation or persist longer than a few minutes during the tests.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant permission as requested.

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SEMINOLE COUNTY: Request was submitted from Slavia Drainage District by George A. Speer, Jr., attorney, that the Trustees, acting as Board of Drainage Commissioners of the State, appoint B. F. Wheeler, Jr., as Supervisor to succeed himself, for a 3-year term beginning June 11, 1959. Mr. Wheeler was recommended for appointment at the district's annual meeting on June 19, 1959, at which there was present less than a quorum of landowners and election could not be had.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve appointment of Mr. Wheeler as recommended.



SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 727 listing 2 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorize execution of deeds pertaining thereto.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

**ATTEST:**

**DIRECTOR**

**SECRETARY**

COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 8, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin  
Nathan Mayo

Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General  
Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12. - SPECIAL MEETING

On April 14 the Trustees approved the bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, approved conveyance of the submerged lands therein at Caladesi and Honeymoon Islands, and also approved provisions for contract between the Trustees, the City of Dunedin, Tom B. Slade as Trustee and Curlew Properties, Inc., with the right reserved to Trustees to approve applicant's plan of fills and development. On May 12 the Attorney General reported that revisions and amendments to the contract had been prepared to include all conditions requested by the Trustees, and the Trustees formally approved the contract, which was duly executed by the parties.

Article 14 provided for plans and specifications for dredging and filling to be submitted to the city and, upon its approval, to be referred to the Trustees with copy of plans to the Pinellas Authority which would have 30 days within which to make recommendation to the Trustees; that the Trustees' staff should then make recommendation to the Trustees whose authority to make final approval was exclusive. Article 14 also allowed the city to make applications for federal permits which were required as navigation was involved.

The City of Dunedin by Resolution No. 756 dated May 19, 1959, gave approval, and instructed the City Manager to make application for federal permits.

Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on June 18, 1959, adopted resolution opposing the plan to close Hurricane Pass, requesting that the U. S. Engineers hold a local hearing on advisability of such closure, recommended that the proposed fill be modified in size, and that the developers be requested to obtain as much fill material as possible from the right of way of the Intracoastal Waterway.

With the exception of the causeway and bridge plans which were to meet standards of the State Road Department, the Trustees' staff studied with a view toward making recommendation on the development plan for dredging and filling, and reviewed the plan in relation to the Authority's resolution of June 18 with the Director of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and the Engineering Consultant for the developers. Conference could not be had with Leyton O. Hester, Pinellas County Engineer, but in the transcript of the June 18 meeting of the Authority, Mr. Hester stated that from an engineering sense, it was a very good development design.

The staff recommended approval of the development plan and proposed dredging and filling as defined in the application of the City of Dunedin now pending before the U. S. District Engineer. Mr. Ferguson stated that preservation of Hurricane Pass as a water connection between St. Joseph Sound and the open Gulf of Mexico did not appear justified if the causeway and Caladesi-Honeymoon development were to be sound, closure would materially reduce storm tides and flooding on the shores of St. Joseph Sound, decrease erosion problems, stabilize the shorelines of Caladesi and Honeymoon Islands, making the beaches safer, would restore the stability of Big Pass, making it an asset to navigation and reducing maintenance costs, after the deepening and widening had been completed as planned by the developer. Preservation of Hurricane Pass would entail construction of jetties and expensive protective measures for the pass, causeway, beaches and other development in the zone. The engineers' report showed that closure would be necessary for optimum tidal flow, and that if Hurricane Pass were not closed, the progressing shoaling in Big Pass would accelerate, as construction of the causeway would materially change the tidal flow. As to the Pinellas Authority's recommendation that the proposed fill be modified as to size, the staff did not recommend change since the over-all was an integrated plan contained within the bulkhead line fixed by the Authority, and material change in size alone offered no apparent advantages to the planning of the development.

Notice had been given of this hearing on the fill and dredge plans, and about thirty persons were present in the Board room, about half favoring the plan and others opposing all the plan, or in particular, the proposed closing of Hurricane Pass. The Trustees heard from all who wished to speak for or against any features of the development.

S. E. Simmons, special counsel for the City of Dunedin, and Adrian S. Bacon, attorney for Curlew Properties, Inc., the developer, presented engineers competent in the field of coastal engineering - Col. Herbert C. Gee of Gee & Jensen, Inc., consulting engineer for the developer, and Dr. Per M. Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida, both of whom had been engaged by the developer on phases of planning the project on Caladesi-Honeymoon Islands.

Col. Gee stated that the development plan was governed primarily by the engineering consideration of the site, and using large maps and charts he explained to the Trustees the varying qualities of the underlying material within the bulkhead line approved by city, county and Trustees, and the plan and engineering procedures to be followed in developing usable upland property safe for occupancy, protected against storms by a bank of beach rising on natural slopes to elevation of plus 8, a dune line to elevation plus 10 to be built up behind the beaches, the creation of navigable channels on the east along the islands and parallel to the proposed causeway, using material dredged for fill for the causeway and island development. He explained the access channels and system of interior canals and land fingers to be created for sale as building lots, pointing out that about two years' work and the expenditure of three to three-and-one-half million dollars would be required before there would be any real estate ready to be sold. He pointed out on the maps the emergent shoal to the north of Honeymoon Island, which would be joined to the island by filling, a new navigation channel being created at the northern tip of the development.

In Col. Gee's testimony, he brought out his opinion of the necessity for closing Hurricane Pass, which broke through during a storm in 1921 and at which place serious erosion of the islands was continually taking place, as well as shoaling which kept the pass from being a good navigational crossing from the Gulf of Mexico to St. Joseph's Sound. The development plan under consideration depended on closing that pass, and provided for widening and deepening of Big Pass, which was considered a more reliable channel but which, with Hurricane Pass open, was suffering materially and shoaling. The public beach, located with regard to accessibility to the causeway, would be hard to maintain if Hurricane Pass were left open, and great difficulties and expense would be put in the way of construction of the causeway and island plan. In answer to question of Haddon Johnson of the Dunedin Civic Association, Col. Gee stated that if the developer were confronted with the great additional expense necessary should Hurricane Pass not be closed, it could result in the developer's decision to abandon the whole project, but that was a decision the developer would have to make.

Col. Gee stated that St. Joseph Sound would still remain a wide expanse of open water between the mainland and the large Caladesi-Honeymoon Island development, bulkhead lines having been established around the islands and fixed one foot offshore on the mainland side (a portion of Pinellas County's over-all bulkhead line), which would prevent encroachment into the water areas of the bay. He saw no prospect that the development would set the stage for a situation such as had been created in Boca Ciega Bay, where most of the submerged area had passed into private ownership back in the 1920's.

In answer to the Attorney General's question, Col. Gee explained the details of the causeway, a relief bridge to be built adjacent to the shore of the mainland, a main navigation drawbridge in the causeway, as well as an additional relief bridge adjacent to the island, and gave in detail the plans for waterways and bridges within the development and access channels to the interior of the island from the bay.

Treasurer Larson asked what over-all expenditure the developer anticipated spending, which Col. Gee estimated at twenty to twenty-two million dollars, some of which would come back as result of sales.

Mr. Simmons then reviewed provisions in the contract for sewage plant, city marina, dedication of causeway and right of way on each side for public recreational purposes with no commercial use ever to be allowed. It was brought out that one-fourth mile right of way on each side of the centerline of the causeway, provided for maintenance of the causeway, would enable people to use the area for recreation.

Dr. Bruun reviewed his conclusions from the report filed with the Trustees on December 28, on the study made at the request of Gee & Jensen for recommendations on how this development could be made stable and safe for occupancy. The report recommended dunes up to 15 feet, development elevation of plus 8, and the closing of Hurricane Pass was considered a necessity if a causeway was to be built between the mainland and Honeymoon Island. Dr. Bruun pointed out on the maps, and explained from the standpoint of tidal engineering the causes and history of storm damage, erosion, and he recommended engineering to be undertaken in the area of Caladesi-Honeymoon Island. In his opinion and that of the staff of the Coastal Laboratory, there was no doubt that the closing of Hurricane Pass would be mainly beneficial and a definite advantage against storm tides, and would make flow conditions at Big Pass much better.

The Trustees heard protests from the following, who spoke in opposition to the development plan and/or closing of Hurricane Pass:

Haddon Johnson, representing Dunedin Civic Association, objected on the same grounds stated in that resolution of February 6th filed with the Trustees at the March 4th meeting;



and also filed a letter stating that legal advice was that the contracts of July 28, 1958, December 9, 1958 and April 27, 1959 between the City of Dunedin, Curlew Properties, Inc., Tom B. Slade, Trustee, were invalid and not authorized by Chapter 23930 Florida Laws 1953.

Charles S. Sinks of Dunedin protested that closing of Hurricane Pass would interfere with his business of operating a mariana for 45 boats which used Hurricane Pass for access to the Gulf, and also would interfere with his activity as a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary in rescuing boats in distress.

Emil O. Lindner of Dunedin protested the location of the bulkhead line, the size of the fill, possible bad effects of the plan on public health and sanitation, and destruction of fish and bird life. It was pointed out that the hearing on this date was for consideration of the dredge and fill plans, the bulkhead line and sale already having been approved after several hearings and conferences between the city, the developers, and the Attorney General on the contract and amendments.

Mrs. James W. Cowen of Dunedin protested that she had not had opportunity to register her opposition on a city poll.

J. H. Woodward, Jr., a director of the Dunedin Civic Association, protested the size of the proposed plan to allow one developer such a large area for a project.

Jacob C. Korte, Flotilla Commander of a Coast Guard Auxiliary in Clearwater, objected to closing of Hurricane Pass, which he said saved valuable time in reaching boats in distress in the Gulf.

Speaking in favor of the Caladesi-Honeymoon Islands development plan and the causeway, even if it meant closing of Hurricane Pass, were the following:

J. D. Healey of Dunedin stated that all large boats had to head for Big Pass now, as Hurricane Pass was not a good navigable pass, and he favored the development plan.

Col. A. R. Moore, Ret., Commander of Dunedin Flotilla of U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, pointed out that there were other auxiliary members at other locations, and rescue work would be a matter of stationing the boats of the Auxiliary at the closest places. He stated much of the objection was based on insufficient technical advice, and that he understands that when Big Pass is widened and deepened much safer navigation will be possible than at the present time. He explained that he did not go along with other members of the Dunedin Civic Association in opposing the development, and that the so-called excessive fill would be a long way from his home on the mainland, would not obstruct his view, and would be a benefit to rid his area of mosquitoes.

L. O. Hester, Pinellas County Engineer, stated that he concurred with the planning, zoning and the public benefit to be derived, and speaking as an engineer, thought it was a good plan.

C. O. Dunbar, Jr., of Dunedin, stated that he was a member of the Dunedin Civic Association, but he favored the development plan.

L. C. Clark also expressed himself as being in favor of the causeway and island development.

Herbert W. Green of the East End Dunedin Civic Association reported that his organization was in favor of the causeway, and would leave the engineering to those who were qualified.

Dr. A. J. Mease, Jr., stated that he thought a majority of the citizens of Dunedin were in favor of the causeway, that the closing of Hurricane Pass was up to the Army Engineers and he would go along with their decision, and he thought the development was a great thing for the area.

Mayor O. J. Tooke, Jr., of Dunedin, and City Commissioners, were present at the hearing, and the Mayor expressed appreciation to the Trustees for the time given to consideration of the project.

Also present were Charles Clayton of Harland Bartholomew Associates, land planning firm employed by Curlew Properties, Inc., and Dr. Frederick L. Thomsen, economic expert. The Trustees felt that their presentations at the hearing on March 4th had been sufficiently informative on their particular phases of planning.

Attorney General Ervin stated that it appeared that this fill plan was not similar to those in Boca Ciega Bay, which had received so much criticism, and evidence was that the project was not so excessive that the bay would be clogged up, and that the channel around the island and deepening of Big Pass would probably compensate for the fill and closing of Hurricane Pass. However, he recognized that closing the pass would be an inconvenience to some, and regretted it.

Treasurer Larson said that the Board had to look at the situation with a view of the greatest good to the greatest number, and he felt that the U. S. Engineers would have to decide about closing Hurricane Pass. He said the recommendation of the staff was for approval of the development plan and proposed dredging and filling in the application of the City of Dunedin now pending before the U. S. Engineers, and he was in favor of following that recommendation.

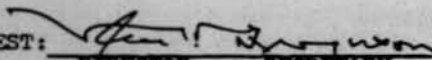
Commissioner of Agriculture Mayo said he was in favor of changing the present condition of the islands and making something more beautiful and useful out of them.

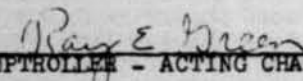
As to the closing of Hurricane Pass, it was the consensus of opinion of the Trustees that testimony of the experts had borne out the advisability of such closure to insure greater safety and less erosion on the Gulf side of the islands and better navigation through an improved Big Pass.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted without opposition, that the Trustees approve the dredge and fill plan submitted by the applicant as recommended by the Director.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 14, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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LAND SALES

DADE COUNTY: File No. 396-13-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered application by Samuel G. Keywell, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay, in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, in the City of Miami at 33rd Street, containing 3.26 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 39 of Dade County official bulkhead maps. The parcel was advertised in The Miami Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections to the sale were filed by Paul O. Summers, attorney for J. L. Hatfield Estate and Margaret H. Summers, executrix, and by J. H. Moynahan for Beverly Bay Hotel Corporation, on grounds that sale was detrimental to adjoining riparian owners and would destroy natural beauty of the cove. It was pointed out that riparian rights carried toward the channel, and sale was within the bulkhead line and covered only what was properly within the applicant's riparian rights. It was noted on maps and photographs that objectors were on land previously filled, and allowing objections would in fact deprive the applicant of his riparian right to purchase and fill in the pocket remaining. The staff felt that the application was sound.

W. Turner Wallis, representing M. B. Carris, engineer, on behalf of the applicant, stated that Bay Towers, Inc., had purchased the upland area from Mr. Keywell, and therefore would be the contract purchaser if sale were approved. He asked the Trustees to give consideration to the appraised figure of \$4,438.00 per acre which the applicant considered too high, and requested the Board to confirm the sale but refer the matter of price to a committee and ask the appraiser to review his figures. Then if a lower figure was recommended as a result of review by the appraiser, the applicant would benefit. He stated that since the applicant's plans required the additional parcel of land, if no reduction was made he would have to pay the \$4,438.00 price per acre. In view of the feeling of the Trustees that sales should be governed by the appraised prices, Mr. Wallis felt that when an appraisal was questioned by an applicant it was proper to bring it to the attention of the Board and request a review.

Mr. Ferguson did not go along with the reasoning that seemed to indicate a lower price, and pointed out that the applicant would be more than doubling the area of usable land fronting on Biscayne Bay, which Mr. Green noted was of great value for the intended use for multiple dwelling.

Comptroller Green moved that objections to the sale be overruled and sale confirmed to the applicant at the appraised price, and the Director was instructed to get in touch with the appraiser and ask for a review to see if he had any reason to change his appraisal. Without objection, the motion was adopted.



DADE COUNTY: File No. 397-13-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$11,593.00 per acre by the Miami Herald Publishing Company, abutting upland owner represented by Ernest J. Hewett of Miami, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 36, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, in the City of Miami, containing 0.24 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line adopted by Dade County Commissioners by Resolution dated September 2, 1958. The land was advertised in The Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections filed by the City of Miami were subsequently withdrawn by Resolution No. 31006 dated July 8, and by Resolution No. 31005 the City quitclaimed to the Trustees the area in question. Both resolutions were filed in the Trustees' office.

Mr. Hewett was present and requested that Trustees formally approve the dredging permit issued by the City of Miami. He also asked that the Trustees notify the U. S. Corps of Engineers of withdrawal of objections to the proposed dredging.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that sale be confirmed in favor of applicant at the appraised price, and that Trustees formally approve dredging permit issued by the City of Miami and withdraw protest filed with the U. S. Engineers.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: File No. 388-29-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered offer of \$65.00 per acre by Paul B. Dickman and Francis J. Corr, Inc., abutting upland owners represented by Sasser & Danahy, for purchase of four tracts of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 16, 17, 19, 20 and 30, Township 31 South, Range 19 East, containing 176.144 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. (Apollo Beach area) The land was advertised for objections in The Tampa Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Appraisal of the land fixed a value of \$125.00 per acre, and the Director recommended confirmation of sale subject to applicant's payment of the appraised price, also approval of county fill permit, copy of which was filed on behalf of F. J. Corr by Larry Goodrich.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land applied for to the applicants upon receipt of payment based on the appraised price, and also approve Hillsborough County fill permit as recommended.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 302-36-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre by John E. Price and wife, upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, lying westerly of and abutting Government Lots 1, 3 and 4 of said Section 34, containing 152.54 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line adopted by the county and approved by the Trustees on June 2. The land was advertised for objections in the Fort Myers News-Press and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

The sale was protested by J. M. Fitzgerald, attorney for Franklyn E. Verdon, B. J. Sheppard, Rev. Lamar Genovar, Ethel S. Lauinger, J. M. Lynch and Genevieve M. Lynch, owners of property for the most part to the north of the application area, who felt that a portion of the fill area encroached on their riparian rights.

The Trustees examined the plat submitted, and it appeared that the objections were unfounded.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that objections be overruled and sale be confirmed to Mr. Price and wife at the appraised price.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 390-41-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre from Key Royale, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by John F. Vanderipe, for purchase of six parcels of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 16, 17, 20 and 21, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Town of Holmes Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in The Bradenton Herald, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised to the applicant, Key Royale, Inc., at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 384-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered application by Mitsuo Matsuno, abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, with offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida located easterly of and adjacent to part of Government Lot 2, Section 2, Township 60 South, Range 40 East, Key Largo, containing 3.58 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of the applicant, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 385-44-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre by Henry C. Hudgins, abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Niles Channel in Section 36, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Summerland Key, containing 0.80 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale to Mr. Hudgins of the parcel applied for, based on offer of the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 386-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre by Hilario Ramos and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida located southeasterly of and adjacent to the Island of Key West, containing 0.95 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Ramos and wife, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 339-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered application by Llewellyn Miller and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 7, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.7 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Miller and wife, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 402-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered application by Dr. Marshall C. Sanford and wife, abutting upland owners, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.91 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel advertised to Dr. Sanford and wife, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 409-44-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees considered application by Thomas C. Kyle and wife, abutting owners, with offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre - \$100.00 minimum deed amount - for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.2 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 412-44-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Paul M. Hellenga and wife, upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Bogie Channel in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.21 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 415-44-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Theodore W. Schmitt and wife, abutting owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Tarpon Bay in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing a total of 1.12 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcels advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 416-44-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered application by Thomas N. Beach, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 1.74 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised, in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 313-44-253.12. On June 2 the Trustees considered application by Scharf Land Development Co., abutting upland owner, with offer of \$150.00 per acre, the appraised price, for a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Key Vaca, containing 1.0 acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protests to the sale were filed by R. S. Barrows and Harry Mathews, who objected to the angle of boundary lines and to extension of the land into the navigable channel in the Straits of Florida. The staff recommended that the objections be overruled as not sound or valid, and Mr. Ferguson stated that the area allocated for sale to this upland owner was in line with the Trustees' policy. Map of the area was examined by the Trustees.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections and approve sale to the applicant of the land applied for, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 400-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees considered application by Bertram M. Harris and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in Buttonwood Sound in Section 28, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing a total of 0.83 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Henry E. Johnson, Jr., adjacent riparian owner, filed protest to the sale on grounds that the distribution of submerged land seemed to favor the applicant. The Director stated that the objection was unfounded, and examination of the map submitted showed that the offshore area was divided as equitably as possible among the riparian owners.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees overrule the objection and confirm sale of the parcel applied for in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 408-44-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees considered application by Chester P. Sadowski and wife, abutting upland owners, who offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum deed amount, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.3 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Wiley E. Aldret objected to the sale on the grounds that it would reduce his property value, and reasons for purchase of his home would be defeated. The staff felt that objections were not valid, as each riparian owner was entitled to make similar application for improvement. On the map submitted, the objector's property was noted to be remote from the applicant's land.

Motion was made and adopted that the objections be overruled, and sale to the applicants of the area advertised be confirmed, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 413-44-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees considered application by Wallace Shannon and wife, abutting upland owners, with offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 2.0 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Wiley E. Aldret protested the sale on grounds that it would reduce his property value and defeat reasons for purchase of his home. The staff recommended that objection be overruled as not valid, and on the map submitted, the objector's property was noted to be remote from the area applied for.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that objection be overruled and sale of the area advertised be confirmed in favor of the applicants, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 414-44-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees considered application by Cecil O. Keith, Sr., and wife, abutting upland owners, who offered \$150.00 per acre, the appraised price, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 0.9 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Sale was protested by Wiley E. Aldret on the grounds that it would reduce his property value and defeat reasons for purchase of his home. The staff recommended that objection be overruled as invalid, and on the map submitted, it was noted that objector's property was remote from the area applied for.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule the objections and authorize sale of the parcel applied for in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 391-50-253.12. On May 26 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections on application by E. E. Van Scoy, abutting upland owner, represented by Brockway, Weber and Brockway, with offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 3, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 17, 18, 19 and North 12.5 feet of Lot 20, Block 2, North Palm Beach Plat #1, Flat Book 6, page 30, Public Records of Palm Beach County, containing 0.961 acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 29-44-253.12. Billy Conner, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.74 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve advertisement for objections, based on the offer submitted by Mr. Conner.

**MONROE COUNTY:** The Director presented for preliminary consideration the matter of George W. R. Andrade, owner of a small island and 23.5 acres of sovereignty land adjacent to the island, in Sections 20, 29 and 30, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Matecumbe Harbor, who desired to acquire an access strip to the highway and further sovereignty land between his holdings and the right of way of the Overseas Highway. Except for a small part of the island, the area was beyond 1,000 feet from the highway centerline, and all lay beyond 750 feet from upland. The additional area would enable the applicant to reshape the mass to lend itself better to development, probably reducing silting.

The Director indicated on a map the causeway from Lower Matecumbe, the nearest natural upland, Jewfish Key, and the spoil island sold to Mr. Andrade in 1958, which was formerly an old bridge abutment and approach.

Attorney General Ervin commented that the Legislature vacated the 1,000-foot dedication for the Park Service and highway, and that since the sale had been made, it appeared that some access connection should be allowed.

If the Trustees desired to make the sale, the Director recommended (1) that approval be given, in principle, to lease of one access strip for connection to the existing State Road causeway subject to approval of the State Road Department and compliance with requirements of U. S. Engineers for bridge, and (2) approval, in principle, of sale of two triangular parcels, 6.4 acres and 4.01 acres, beyond 1,000 feet from the highway centerline, and (3) consideration of possible sale of a third parcel, 6.93 acres, to shape and allow better development of the island project, to come not nearer than 800 feet toward the highway centerline, all sales to be at full appraised present value, to be advertised for objections after proper application was made in accordance with preliminary approval of the Board on this date. He recommended that the completed application should be brought back to the Board before any advertisement for objections, and coordinated with the location and plan for the causeway strip, if lease should be approved.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees encourage the applicant to the extent of preliminary approval for him to make application, further consideration to be given when the application in detail was presented.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Florida Inland Navigation District applied for fee simple deed, for public purposes, without payment, covering

- (a) 25.0 acre parcel of Lake Wyman submerged land lying westerly of right of way of Intracoastal Waterway and adjacent to upland of the District in Government Lot 1 of Section 20 and Government Lot 1 of Section 17, both in Township 47 South, Range 43 East, at Boca Raton;
- (b) 2.96 acre parcel of reclaimed Ratonas Lagoon bottom land, being the westerly half of an area between meanders of Government Lots 1 and 3 of Section 33, Township 46 South, Range 43 East. The easterly half was riparian to private upland; the westerly half, sought by the District, was adjacent to upland of the District which was bounded by the Waterway.



The Director informed the Trustees that the District first asked for unrestricted fee simple conveyance, and upon staff recommending easement, the District advised that deed with public purpose use limitation would be superior to easement from the standpoint of administration and prevention of encroachments which impair use of an area for spoil disposal.

The Trustees noted that the area applied for was valuable land, and thought title should not pass but that spoil easement only should be granted to the District.

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changing to  
permanent  
spoil  
easement.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of temporary spoil easement to Florida Inland Navigation District covering the land applied for.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: Florida National Bank and Trust Company at Miami, as Trustee, requested deed to correct description in Trustees' Deed No. 21005 dated September 1, 1955, wherein the bearing in one call was shown as South 89° 03' 50" East, which should have been North 89° 03' 50" West.

Motion was made and adopted that Trustees authorize issuance of corrective deed as requested for the charge of \$10.00.

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DADE COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that Trustees approve assignment of Contract No. 21307 from Ray F. Sadler back to Edward S. Christiansen, the original holder of the contract before previous assignment approved by the Trustees on March 17, 1959.

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LEVY COUNTY: Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, by Resolution adopted July 7, 1959, requested conveyance of a sovereignty tract bounded east by upland owned by the county in Section 14, Township 17 South, Range 15 East, southerly by State Road 40 and the channel of Withlacoochee River, westerly by the corporate limits of Yankeetown, and northerly by projection of the north line of Section 14, the area being sought for park purposes and purposes incidental thereto.

The Director recommended dedication of the area for public purposes under the supervision and control of the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve dedication as recommended by the Director, the instrument to contain reverter clause providing that title to the area shall revert in the Trustees if not used for public purposes.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of duplicate deed for the reason that Manatee County Murphy Act Deed No. 23 dated June 24, 1940, to C. B. Scott, Jr., was reported to be lost and was never placed on record.

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ALACHUA COUNTY: Shellie C. Downs and wife, offered \$800.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act", of the S½ of SE¼ of Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, comprising 80 acres. Information was that all requirements of the law had been complied with, and the offer made was the regular base bid amount.

Motion was made and adopted that conveyance to Mr. Downs and wife be authorized under Chapter 28317 at the price offered.

LEVY COUNTY: On June 23 the Trustees authorized issuance of quitclaim deed for \$25.00, upon request from Cedar Key Heights, Inc., for release of state road rights of way and oil and mineral reservations contained in Levy County Murphy Act Deed No. 265.

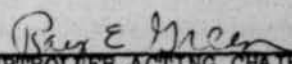
Wallace E. Sturgis, on behalf of himself and co-owners, asked the Trustees to reconsider the charge of \$25.00, in view of the fact that title vested in the state through error of double assessment and owners having been put to considerable expense of a suit to remove cloud on their title.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize reduction to \$10.00 of the charge for issuance of the quitclaim deed requested.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
COMPTROLLER-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 21, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

The minutes of the Trustees' meeting of July 7, 1959, having been approved by the Attorney General and presented to each member, were approved without objection.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

DADE COUNTY: File No. 446-13-253.12. Violet J. Becker and Charles Hime, the abutting upland owners, represented by Walsh, Simmonite, Budd & Walsh, offered the appraised price of \$400.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 25, Township 55 South, Range 40 East, adjacent to Richmond's Survey of Cutler, Plat Book "B", page 17, near Spruce Street, containing 53.7 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line as shown on Sheet 43 of Dade County official bulkhead maps. The Trustees examined the map and it was noted that the parcel in question was in the lowest part of South Miami, near Chicken Key.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel of submerged land applied for, based on offer submitted.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 246-43-253.12. George C. Staples, abutting upland owner, represented by Charles B. McAdam, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of 2 parcels of submerged land in the Indian River in Sections 22 and 23, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 1.50 acres, more or less, within the previously established bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for, based on offer of the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 445-44-253.12. John A. Bentz, the abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, containing 1.0 acre, more or less.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for by Mr. Bentz, based on offer of the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 447-44-253.12. Frank F. Taylor, Jr., and wife, and Jeff D. Gautier, as trustees, the abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.51 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for, based on offer of the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 448-44-253.12. Pacific Communications, the abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.70 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for, based on offer of the appraised price.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

CITRUS COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of a bulkhead line established by Resolution dated May 4, 1959 by the Town Council of Crystal River, Florida, adjacent to Government Lot 5, Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, covering part of a shallow area in the Crystal River, exposed at low water. The bulkhead line was fixed at the request of E. M. Purcell, who expects to make application to purchase the area within the bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the Town Council of Crystal River, described as follows:



Beginning the Bulkhead Line at a point that is S. 75° 01' 15" W. 143.31 feet from a point that is north 1382.35 feet and west 1265.36 feet from the SE corner of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, the bearing of the east boundary of said SW $\frac{1}{4}$  being N. 0° 37' 53" E., thence N. 65° 28' 30" W. 102.70 feet, thence N. 21° 44' 27" W. 150.00 feet, thence N. 62° 58' 44" E. 86.50 feet, thence S. 48° 47' 30" E. 279.63 feet to the point of termination of said Bulkhead Line, said point being N. 75° 01' 15" E. 143.31 feet from the point of beginning of said Bulkhead Line.

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DUVAL COUNTY: The Director presented certified copy of Ordinance No. DL-434 passed May 12, 1959 by the City Council of Jacksonville, establishing a bulkhead line on the north and west side of the St. Johns River between Commodore's Point and Forest Street within the territorial area of the city.

Map showing the bulkhead line was submitted and examined by the Trustees, and the Director explained that the line followed the harbor lines.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the City Council of Jacksonville, as requested.

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LEASE, DISCLAIMER, DEDICATION

MONROE COUNTY: Raymond O. Burr and H. P. Rutherford asked for appointment on July 28 to come before the Trustees on the matter of Lease No. 920-A to Rutherford Lumber Company, a mangrove timber lease. Information was that on May 10, 1955, the Trustees granted suspension of lease payments and authorized holding in trust payments already received, until such time as settlement had been made of Everglades National Park boundaries, in particular the northwest corridor. Lessee had not been able to operate under the lease, and payments continued to be held in trust.

The Trustees agreed to hear the applicants at 2:30 on the requested date, and the Director was asked to write and inform them.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On behalf of W. D. Owens, et al, the owners of a parcel of formerly submerged land, now filled, in Secs. 7, 8, 17 and 18 of Township 29 South, Range 15 East, said parcel being a part of those lands conveyed by Trustees Deed Nos. 17447 dated January 11, 1926 and 19742-A dated January 23, 1957, Leo Butler made application for a disclaimer to said parcel for the following reason.

In the actual field layout from the exact metes and bounds description shown in Deed No. 17447, the south line of Section 8-29-15 was positioned approximately 160 feet north from the position of the north line of Section 17-29-15 as physically positioned by the metes and bounds description in Deed No. 19742-A. Both deeds describe lands to the respective section line, and in order to clear the physical hiatus, a disclaimer covering the parcel described from existing platted subdivision lot corners was required. Mr. Ferguson explained that the same party owned, occupied and used the land on both sides of the hiatus.

In exchange for the disclaimer, Mr. Owens offered to reconvey to the Trustees all that part of the area originally conveyed by Deed No. 19742-A that lay bayward of the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and formally approved by the Trustees.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of disclaimer to Mr. Owens as requested.

PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of dedication to the State Road Department covering certain submerged lands required for construction of Section 1520-150-Pinellas Bayway, in Townships 32 and 33 South, Range 16 East, being part of the bayway from Mullet Key to a point northerly of Cabbage Key.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of dedication to the State Road Department as recommended.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director stated that he had been requested to ask for a date to be fixed for consideration of Bayway requirements of the State Road Department in relation to sovereignty areas conveyed by the Trustees to Al Furen, also in relation to the application of Presbyterian College to be processed through Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, involving an offshore area about 300 feet from land acquired by the Furen interests. The College application was not completed in form to be presented to the Trustees, but should also be considered as to right of way requirements of the State Road Department.

In the absence of the Attorney General, Governor Collins asked Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, for a review of the status of litigation pertaining to the area in which sales were made to Al Furen. Mr. McLane gave a resume' of legal action pending, including an appeal before the Supreme Court brought by the Trustees, a suit in Pinellas County brought by the Alliance for the Conservation of Natural Resources in Pinellas County, and a case in Leon County Circuit Court brought by the Furen interests for declaratory decree. He also advised that in a recent conference between representatives of the Furen interests, the Attorney General's Office, and the State Road Department, it was brought out that tentative agreement was made to grant right of way to the State Road Department in exchange for certain commitments from the Trustees as to exchange of lands and settlement of litigation.

Mr. Ferguson advised that Lee Ratner, holder of the Furen property would like to reconvey all the area in exchange for a corrective deed reshaping the area.

Governor Collins stated that the State Road Department was not definitely committed as to location of the road, but a preferable route was indicated across the lands in question. He suggested that as soon as the Attorney General could advise that the basic legal questions had been settled, plans should be made by a committee of Trustees, working with the Director, not only for the road right of way but also for adjustment and reorganization of the area through negotiation.

Without objection, further consideration was deferred.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Mrs. Margaret Green, Secretary of Southwest Tampa Storm Sewer Drainage District, submitted recommendation that the Trustees, as Board of Drainage Commissioners of the State under provisions of Section 298.12 F.S., appoint Richard E. Knight to succeed himself as Supervisor for a term of three years from the expiration date of his preceding term, ending on July 9, 1959. Pursuant to advertised call for land owners' meeting to elect a supervisor, there was present at said meeting less than a quorum of land owners, and therefore no legal election could be had, but by unanimous vote those 48 land owners present recommended Mr. Knight for appointment.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and unanimously adopted, that the Trustees appoint Mr. Knight as recommended, for a three year term beginning July 9, 1959.

LEON COUNTY: On July 17, 1958, the Trustees advanced and paid the sum of \$10,000.00 on behalf of the Department of Public Safety, to Rosa Harris Richardson, et al, for warranty deed conveying 5 acres in NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 1 East, for the site of highway patrol facilities, all in pursuance of authorization June 24, 1958. The advance was made on condition that the Department of Public Safety would make provision in its budget to repay the Trustees, and said Department advised that it was prepared to reimburse the Trustees and receive title to the 5-acre parcel.

The Director recommended that conveyance of the 5-acre parcel be authorized for delivery to the Department of Public Safety in exchange for state warrant reimbursing the Trustees in said sum of \$10,000.00, the deed to contain no reservation of oil and minerals as the parcel was not public lands.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees accept the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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The Trustees discussed informally certain property in the Capitol Center area not yet acquired by the State. Mr. Ferguson advised that a price had been asked for the Byrd property based on a commercial zone appraisal, and as long as the matter of zoning was under litigation he had felt that nothing could be done. There was also a matter of further expenditures for Caroline Brevard School Building, to be used by the State Road Department.

No action was taken, pending further investigation.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR / CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
July 28, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol,

Present: Ray E. Green  
Richard W. Ervin  
Nathan Mayo

Comptroller  
Attorney General  
Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

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The Trustees approved minutes of the meetings of July 8, 14, and 21, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.



## LAND SALES

**BAY COUNTY:** File No. 398-03-253.12. On May 19th the Trustees formally approved a bulkhead line established by the Bay County Commissioners, fixed a price of \$100.00 per acre and authorized advertisement of 21.5 acres of submerged land in Fanning Bayou within said bulkhead line, in Sections 28 and 33, Township 2 South, Range 14 West, lying westerly, southerly and southeasterly of and abutting Block 108 in the Town of Southport, applied for by B. E. Tillman, abutting upland owner. The land was advertised in the Panama City News Herald, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised in favor of B. E. Tillman, at the price offered, \$100.00 per acre.

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**BREVARD COUNTY:** File No. 286-05-253.12. On June 16 the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line fixed by Brevard County by Resolutions of April 10 and October 9, 1958, as to that part of the line affecting the application of J. M. Venable, Jr., upland riparian owner, who offered \$1,500.00 for a 2.72 acre parcel of submerged land in the Banana River in Section 34, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, lying in front of that part of the Westerly 436.19 feet of Lot 12 lying Easterly of right of way of State Road 520, in Block 46, Cocoa Ocean Beach Subdivision, Plat Book 10, page 16, Public Records of Brevard County. The parcel was advertised for objections only in The Cocoa Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by W. A. Weddell representing a group called "Brevard Bulkhead Committee", not an official county organization. However, Mr. Weddell subsequently visited the Trustees' office and stated that he had misunderstood the location and would withdraw the objection. The Director recommended that objection be overruled and sale confirmed.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule objection and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Venable at the price offered, \$1,500.00 for the parcel.

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**DADE COUNTY:** File No. 367-13-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$2,000.00 per acre from Smith Haselwood, et al, upland riparian owners, for purchase of 3.52 acres of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 8, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, lying easterly of and abutting Lots 28, 29 and 68 of the Amended Plat of Shore Acres, Plat Book 7, page 125, public records of Dade County, the parcel being within the established bulkhead line shown on Sheet 38 of Dade County bulkhead maps. The land was advertised for objections only in The Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections were filed by L. R. Kilpatrick, C. J. Morphet, A. U. Rodney, Mrs. L. Waldbaum, A. E. Boles, on the grounds that they felt the proposed sale and filling would damage their property valuation. Also, objector Florence H. Lawler brought injunction suit against the applicants, which was dismissed with prejudice July 20 in Circuit Court. Mr. Ferguson explained that the objectors, on previously filled land, would deprive the applicant of his riparian rights to purchase and fill outward from his upland property.

The Trustees examined the map submitted by the applicant, and noted that while the people on the filled land have been enjoying the public waters, the applicant was within his riparian rights in applying to purchase and improve the area adjacent to his upland. The Attorney General stated he had not rendered an opinion on a similar case, which was in litigation, and the understanding was that the question of legal rights on filled land had not been directly decided in Florida.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees overrule objections and confirm sale to the applicant at the appraised price, and that the deed be held in abeyance without delivery for 30 days to allow objectors to take legal action if they desired.

The City of Miami by Resolution No. 31019 applied for conveyance to the city of a portion of the submerged land advertised, for extension of Northeast 84th Street outward to the bulkhead line, and information was furnished that the applicant agreed to fill that portion for the city.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve dedication to the City of Miami of the parcel for street extension, which will be filled by the applicant without cost to the city.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of 101.53 acres of submerged land at Sanibel Island in Tarpon Bay, in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, lying southerly of and abutting Government Lot 2 of said Section 13, Government Lots 1 and 2 of said Section 14, and Government Lot 2 of said Section 23, applied for by Carl A. Norberg and wife, abutting upland owners, and price of \$37.50 per acre was fixed by the Trustees. The tract was advertised in The News Press of Fort Myers, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Numerous letters and telegrams objecting to the sale were received by the Trustees' office, and the Florida State Board of Conservation asked for postponement of the sale for three weeks to allow time for inspection and report on the area of submerged land involved.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer consideration of sale of the area applied for by Mr. Norberg, as requested by the State Board of Conservation.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 418-44-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, from Earl E. Gray, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. Gray at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 422-44-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Wallace M. Scudder, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.40 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Mr. Scudder, at the price offered.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

FLAGLER COUNTY: Raymon F. Tucker, represented by W. L. Wadsworth, requested conveyance of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  (N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Government Lot 2) of Section 18, Township 13 South, Range 30 East, containing 40.16 acres, without competitive sale. Information was that Mr. Tucker went into possession in 1932 under conveyance of a tax title which originated in tax deed to The Eastern Company July 27, 1931, based on tax sale certificate No. 931 of the sale of 1923. The land was patented to the state on September 18, 1856, and has never been sold; however, Mr. Tucker furnished proof of having paid taxes for 1932 and all subsequent years, has occupied, drained, and used the land which is low and within fenced area of his other lands.

The Director recommended conveyance without competitive sale or advertisement pursuant to provisions of Section 270.09, Florida Statutes, at the appraised price of \$10.00 per acre.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 198-44-253.12. Everett Kinsman and wife offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 291-44-253.12. Elbert S. Brink and wife, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.9 of an acre, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 320-44-253.12. Ella A. Morris, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 36, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 137.0 acres, more or less.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 452-44-253.12. Anthony L. Ulchar offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, containing 0.24 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the four (4) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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## BULKHEAD LINE

DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line in lower Biscayne Bay fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, as shown on Sheet 70 Revised of the bulkhead maps prepared by the county. The Trustees examined the map showing the line encompassing the Ragged Keys area, and the Director explained that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory recommended the line, which allowed for greater extension by filling than a line the county had previously suggested, and would be a protection to the land area. Applications for purchase of areas within the bulkhead line for development were expected after approval of the line.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line submitted by Dade County as shown on Sheet 70 Revised of the county bulkhead maps.

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LEASES; EASEMENTS

GLADES COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve renewal to Lykes Brothers, Inc., lessee, for one year from expiration date of August 24, 1959, under the same terms and conditions, of Grazing Lease No. 109 covering 148 acres in Sections 27 and 34, Township 40 South, Range 32 East.

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MONROE COUNTY: On November 10, 1953, the Trustees authorized Lease No. 920 covering 16,720 acres to Rutherford Lumber Company for removal of mangrove timber, the Board of Education having agreed to inclusion of School Section 16, Township 54 South, Range 30 East. On May 10, 1955, the Trustees agreed to suspension of further rental payments and directed that the rental payments already made should be held in trust pending settlement of boundaries of Everglades National Park, the Lumber Company not having exercised rights under the lease. Inasmuch as the leased lands have since been conveyed to the United States for Everglades National Park, the lessee applied for refund of the amount paid as rentals, shown by the Trustees' records to be \$4,340.00, of which \$4,180.00 was rental to the Trustees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve refund to the lessee of the amount paid, in exchange for proper instrument from the company surrendering and cancelling the lease.

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MONROE COUNTY: Alonzo Cothron applied for (a) commercial sand lease of a parcel in the Straits of Florida 700 by 2,600 feet, in Section 29, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, the main portion of which is exposed at low tide, the westerly corner being 1,900 feet south of centerline of the Overseas Highway and the northernmost corner being approximately 900 feet from the highway centerline, southwesterly of Lower Matecumbe Key, and (b) 3-year easement on a strip of submerged land 300 feet wide south of State Road right of way fronting 1,150 feet on said right of way, adjacent to the west line of Section 29-64-36, for filling and use as stock pile and loading of sand, subject to approval of the State Road Department. The proposed easement would require that applicant, upon termination of the easement, leave the area filled above normal high water, and this parcel adjacent to the highway right of way would then be suitable for ultimate improvement as a recreation or public area.

The Director recommended 3-year sand lease of the tract in "a" above, at a royalty of 15¢ per cubic yard, with monthly minimum of \$50.00 and surety bond in the sum of \$1,500.00, also 3-year easement for the stock pile loading area subject to approval of the State Road Department, and reservation of the latter area for future public use.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the recommendations of the Director as to the areas applied for by lease and easement, and authorize withdrawal from sale for future public use the filled area.

STATE DRILLING LEASES: 224-A (Modified) and 224-B (Modified) - Coastal Petroleum Company, represented by Wendell Roberts, requested abatement of drilling requirement and rental payments in proportion to the fraction of the total acreages in Oil and Gas Leases 224-A (Modified) and 224-B (Modified) which was under pending litigation in the Tidelands suit in U. S. Supreme Court, abatement being requested by reason of refusal of the Secretary of the Interior to grant validation of the leases under Section 6 of the Outer Continental Shelf Act of 1953. Abatement of rental payments was requested to begin with payment due December 27, 1959 as to 224-A and March 27, 1960 as to 224-B, and abatement of the drilling footage requirement in each lease was sought to be effective as of the commencement of the current 5 year period of each lease - December 27, 1954 as to Lease 224-A and March 27, 1956 as to Lease 224-B.

Mr. Ferguson called attention to the action of the Trustees on February 17, 1959 on request by Gulf Oil Corporation, represented by Cody Fowler, whereby rental payments provided for in the specified leases were to be continued, and abatement only of drilling obligations was authorized to be worked out with reference to the areas in the disputed zone until the state's title was settled; also extensions of the leases were granted to date of final decision of the Tidelands case insofar as Florida was affected.

Treasurer Larson stated that certain other companies holding oil leases were continuing lease rental payments, and that Mr. Fowler had asked for abatement of drilling only in the disputed area.

Attorney General Ervin stated that with the precedent of other cases, Mr. Robert's company should continue rental payments, and he suggested that provision might be made for holding payments in escrow.

Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, stated that the instrument to formally implement the action of the Board on February 17 had not been approved, and it appeared that there was some discrepancy in that the proposed abatement instrument attempted to suspend drilling obligations on all the leased area, instead of only that part in the zone of dispute. He also mentioned that the Trustees had allowed extension of 6 months on drilling requirements on Lease No. 833 held by another company, pending decision on further moratorium.

Mr. Roberts said that his company wanted abatement only for that part of the leased area that was claimed by the Federal Government, that Coastal would go ahead with their rental payment and was ready to proceed immediately with drilling on that area from shore to the 3-mile limit not in the disputed zone.

The Trustees were in agreement that rental payments should be continued, that the intention of the Board was that drilling moratorium should affect only those areas where title was in dispute, that all the drilling leases should be put on the same basis as to any abatement of requirements, that the files should be reviewed and the same consideration given to all companies holding leases on areas involved in the Tidelands suit.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that the Trustees authorize Mr. Ferguson and Mr. McLane to work out details for abatement of drilling requirements in Leases 224-A (Modified) and 224-B (Modified) only as to that area in the disputed zone, uniform with the policy followed on February 17 with reference to application by another oil company, that rental payments be continued on all the leased area, and that the motion further include authorization to use this case as a yardstick and give the same consideration as to suspension of drilling requirements to all the other companies leasing lands in the area of litigation.

ESCAMBIA AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: Without objection, the Trustees approved issuance of temporary dredging easements to the State Road Department, for use of the dredged material in construction of State Road S-399, covering the following submerged land in Santa Rosa Sound:

Escambia County: 3.21 acres lying north of Santa Rosa Island in Township 2 South, Range 27 West.  
SRD Section 48530-2601, State Road S-399.

Santa Rosa County: 73.46 acres lying south of Sections 20 and 21, Township 2 South, Range 26 West.  
SRD Section 58640-2601, State Road S-399.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director advised the Board that the Chief of Engineers to the U. S. Secretary of the Army concurred in recommendations of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors for a navigation project between Clearwater Bay and the Gulf of Mexico to improve Little Pass, with connecting channel to the Intracoastal Waterway and channel and turning basin at Clearwater Island Marina. The project would make available spoil material for repair of adjacent eroded beaches, the U. S. Beach Erosion Board and U. S. Engineers concurred in the view that no detrimental changes in shore lines would result, and no contribution of state funds was requested.

Mr. Ferguson stated that adequate time for any analysis of the proposed federal project was not allowed, but the project in itself appeared most desirable and endorsement by the Trustees was recommended.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve the recommendations of the U. S. Chief of Engineers and urge implementation of the proposed project, it being understood that no commitment of state funds was required.

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CAPITOL CENTER: On December 23, 1958 the Trustees authorized a 6-months rental of the property at 720 S. Adams Street to Mrs. Gladys Cornish, daughter of Mrs. Minnie C. Alligood from whom the Trustees acquired the property. While the building, part of which was over 100 years old, was not suitable for tenancy as a whole, Mrs. Cornish applied to continue to use the house, part of which was rented to university students.

The Director recommended that formal lease be authorized at \$65.00 per month effective July 1, 1959, subject to termination by the Trustees or the lessee upon 90 days written notice, that the Trustees will make no repairs or assume any liability, and that lessee be required to carry proper liability insurance.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize lease to Mrs. Cornish at \$65.00 per month, subject to all provisions recommended by the Director.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

SEMINOLE COUNTY: Request was made by S. J. Stiggins on behalf of Albert Schlauf for waiver of claim for remuneration in eminent domain proceeding of U. S. A. vs 143 acres, Augustus C. Rotundo, et al, U. S. District Court, Southern District, Florida, Orlando-Civil No. 627, Parcel 231 being Lot 2 in Block 15, A. B. Russell's Addition, Ft. Reed, Plat Book 1, page 97, Seminole County records.

The Director explained the details, that any claim of the state was based only on an avigation easement on a 17-foot strip across the lot, that the state held title to none of the land, and he felt that any claim by the state on the 17-foot easement would be negligible.



The Trustees, without objection, authorized waiver of claim for remuneration for the federal avigation easement over Lot 2 in Block 15, A. B. Russell's Addition.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

Van H. Ferguson  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

Richard W. Ervin  
ATTORNEY GENERAL - ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 4, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: Bruce Vining made application to purchase at competitive sale the mangrove area at Division Point, Barnes Sound, in Township 60 South, Range 39 East, northeasterly of U. S. Highway No. 1, estimated at between 150 and 250 acres, and offered \$150.00 per acre which is the appraised price of similar mangrove near Lake Surprise southeasterly of Division Point. On April 14 the Trustees authorized offering for sale an area in Barnes Sound, the north boundary to be within 1 mile of Division Point, but that area was found to be in deep water and not considered feasible for development.

The Director recommended advertisement of the mangrove area for competitive bids and objections, purchaser to furnish survey and legal description, sale to reserve all within 500 feet of highway centerline except access strips for causeway and/or bridge connection to highway, location and specifications to be approved by the State Road Department and U. S. Engineers, also subject to provisions that no filling should be done until development plans were approved by Trustees.

On the map it was noted that all the area on the other side of the highway was within Everglades National Park, with no development possible there.

On motion made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 111-44-253.12. Alex Popp, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 12 and 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 1.15 acres, more or less.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 401-44-253.12. Raymond Navarro, Sr., represented by C. G. Bailey, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 2 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 454-44-253.12. Hoag-Marathon Corp., represented by Alan Schmitt, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for 2.3 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Bonefish Bay in Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Crawl Key No. 1.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 456-44-253.12. Ocean Express, Inc., represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land containing 17.3 acres, more or less, in Niles Channel in Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, abutting an unnamed key being Government Lot 1 in said Section 14.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 457-44-253.12. Clara May Downey, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.61 of an acre, more or less.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 458-44-253.12. George L. Stapleton, Jr., and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.81 of an acre, more or less.
7. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 459-44-253.12. Marian V. Tiedt, by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.
8. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 460-44-253.12. Alvin H. Van Felt, by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of 0.47 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the eight (8) parcels of Monroe County submerged land advertised for objections only, based on the offers made by the applicants.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 348-50-253.12. Edgewater Realty Company, abutting upland owner, represented by C. Robert Burns, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129, Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.394 of an acre; and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.610 of an acre. Offer of the appraised price of \$1,826.95 was made for the parcel to be deeded.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for by deed, based on offer of the appraised price of \$1,826.95 for the parcel.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 424-50-253.12. Brockway, Weber and Brockway, representing Bruce Marchand, abutting upland owner, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129, Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.599 of an acre; and (b) deed to those reclaimed sovereignty lands in Boca Ratones Lagoon in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "A", containing 0.196 of an acre. Mr. Marchand offered the appraised price of \$3,500.00 per acre for the parcel to be deeded.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be deeded, based on the offer of the appraised price.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships.

1. ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 449-56-253.12. Florida Land Improvement and Development Co., Inc., represented by Alton A. Register & Associates, offered the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre, or in this instance the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, for 0.03 of an acre of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, within the established bulkhead line.
2. ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 450-56-253.12. O.G. Simonsen and wife, represented by Alton A. Register & Associates, offered the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre for purchase of 0.10 of an acre of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, within the established bulkhead line.
3. ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 451-56-253.12. Charles Lowe and wife, represented by Alton A. Register & Associates, offered the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre for purchase of 0.07 of an acre of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the three (3) parcels of submerged land in St. Lucie County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

COLLIER COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established upon request of Little Hickory Shores, Inc., by the Board of County Commissioners of Collier County pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, by Resolution adopted July 14, 1959, the line being located along the east shore of Little Hickory Bay, in W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 5, Township 48 South, Range 25 East, Collier County.

On the map submitted, the Director pointed out that the bulkhead line satisfactorily conformed to the shore and fills already in place, and he stated that the owner proposed to convey back to the Trustees certain areas outside the bulkhead line within the U. S. meander line, which was far out in the Bay in some places 1,000 feet westward from the bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line as recommended.



PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval the bulkhead line established at the request of the Town Council of the incorporated Town of Belleair Beach by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on April 23, 1959, pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957. The bulkhead line was fixed adjacent to the easterly town limits in Clearwater Harbor, five feet from the existing shoreline at mean low tide level, and complete description was shown on the official bulkhead map submitted by the Authority.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the Pinellas County Authority for the Town of Belleair Beach.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on April 23, 1959, at the request of the City Commissioners of the City of Indian Rocks Beach, from the north to the south boundaries of the city with the exception of the area involved in the application of Eleanor H. Merritt pending before the Authority, and complete description of the bulkhead line was shown on the official bulkhead map submitted by the Authority.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the Pinellas County Authority for the City of Indian Rocks Beach, as recommended.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established, pursuant to 1959 Legislative Act amending portions of Chapter 57-1853, Acts of 1957, by the Town Commissioners of Longboat Key by Resolution adopted on July 21, 1959, for that portion of the municipality lying within Sarasota County.

Mr. Ferguson advised that considerable study of the Longboat Key area had been made by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and the Laboratory found that this was a good line and probably would offer some improvement for coastal erosion problems in the area.

There was great local interest in the bulkhead line, and Mayor Joseph M. Zwick, Town Attorney Glenn L. Berry, members of the City Commission, former mayor Mrs. Lucille Lundblad, and others, were present to recommend approval of the bulkhead line. The Trustees thanked the group for coming up to advise the Board concerning the bulkhead line, and for their civic interest in the welfare of the town.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by the Town of Longboat Key for that portion of the municipality lying in Sarasota County.

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#### LEASES

#### STATE DRILLING LEASES 224-A (Modified) AND 224-B (Modified):

At the July 28th meeting the Trustees authorized the Director and Assistant Attorney General McLane to work out details for abatement of drilling requirements for Coastal Petroleum Company Leases 224-A (Modified) and 224-B (Modified) consistent with action taken on February 17, 1959 with reference to certain Gulf Oil Corporation leases as to rental and drilling obligations in the zone of Tidelands litigation concerning the State boundary. Conferences were had with the attorney and a local representative of the Coastal firm and the Agreement, prepared and processed to

execution on July 31, was presented to the Trustees for ratification. The Director recommended the Agreement, under which rental payments must be continued on the entire leased areas, but the drilling obligation was suspended as to the portions in Tidelands litigation until 90 days after entry of final orders on the same by the U. S. Supreme Court.

Attorney General Ervin stated that careful consideration showed that Legislative Acts related only to the drilling obligations, that review of the files disclosed that the recommendation of the Director followed the pattern of the consideration given by the Trustees on other leases as to drilling obligation through the period of litigation on disputed areas, and that rental payments are to continue.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Board approve and confirm that Agreement dated July 31, 1959 between Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and Coastal Petroleum Company, containing the following provisions:

1. The drilling requirements of said Drilling Leases 224-A, as modified, and 224-B, as modified, are hereby abated in the proportion that the area of said leases affected by the above described controversy in the Supreme Court of the United States bears to the total area covered by said leases.
2. During the period of this abatement the lessee shall continue to pay the full rentals required by said leases. As to drilling requirements, this abatement shall be effective in the case of both Drilling Lease 224-A, as modified, and Drilling Lease 224-B, as modified, as of the commencement of the now-current five-year period of each of said leases.
3. This abatement shall continue for a period of ninety days after the above mentioned litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States has been finally disposed of insofar as said litigation affects State Drilling Leases 224-A, as modified, and 224-B, as modified.
4. If the State of Florida prevails in the above mentioned controversy with the United States, then, upon the termination of this abatement, the full drilling requirements specified in said Drilling Leases 224-A, as modified, and 224-B, as modified, shall again become effective, pro rata, in the proportions that the parts of the then-current five-year drilling periods remaining unexpired when this abatement terminates bear to the full five-year drilling periods; and said full drilling requirements, as specified in said leases, shall thereafter remain in full force and effect for the life of said leases.
5. Compliance, during the life of this abatement, by lessee, The California Company, and any lawful successors or assigns of lessee or The California Company, with the abated drilling requirements herein specified, and the full rental requirements under said leases, shall have the effect of keeping Drilling Leases 224-A, as modified, and 224-B, as modified, in full force and effect, to the same extent as if the full drilling requirements specified in said leases had been fully performed.
6. This agreement is made for the sole purpose of providing a workable and equitable arrangement under which the parties concerned can proceed with operations on the leases herein mentioned, pending final disposition of the above described controversy between the United States of America and the State of Florida. Nothing herein contained shall ever be taken or construed as any kind of admission, express or implied, by the State of Florida regarding any of the issues between itself and the United States in the above described controversy, nor shall anything herein contained be taken or construed to the prejudice of the State of Florida regarding any of said issues.

DADE COUNTY: On July 7 the Trustees authorized 10-year campsite lease to C. B. Forrester covering one acre on Arsenicker Key in Section 12, Township 58 South, Range 40 East, at \$50.00 per year for the first five years, and \$75.00 per year for the next five years. Mr. Forrester found no sand in the area and reported that the entire key was mangrove in soft muck, but he wished to erect a cottage on pilings and requested that the lease be amended to cover the entire key. The mangrove area of approximately 1,000 by 240 feet was hardly suitable for more than one campsite accessible by navigable water.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the lease amended to cover the entire mangrove flat for the agreed rental.

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DADE COUNTY: Five-year extensions were requested by Arthur Peters, holder of campsite Lease No. 526 expiring April 3, 1962, and Hugh Peters, holder of Lease No. 976 expiring February 2, 1960, each being on East Arsenicker Key with rental of \$50.00 per year. The lessees desire to invest considerable amounts in improvements and the Director recommended 5-year extensions under the same terms.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved five-year extensions of Leases 526 and 976, from the expiration dates of the current leases, on the same terms and conditions.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: On August 19, 1958, the Trustees authorized 25-year lease of a 5-acre parcel of reclaimed land to J. E. Lee, within and subject to perpetual easement to the United States for right of way for Taylor Creek. Mr. Lee reported part of the land was occupied by L. J. Cassells, a squatter with a small trailer who refused to vacate the area needed for the improvements to be constructed, although Mr. Lee had offered to move his trailer for him.

Attorney General Ervin stated that this was a matter that should be referred to Special Assistant Attorney General Charles Vocelle.

Motion was made and adopted that the Attorney General be authorized to refer the matter to Mr. Vocelle to take appropriate action to eject the squatter from the areas under Lease No. 1200 to J. E. Lee.

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#### DEDICATION, EASEMENT, PERMITS

MONROE COUNTY: The State Road Department requested dedication of a parcel of submerged land containing 0.92 of an acre, for its extension of White Street at Key West, for SRD project Sec. 90510-3154, consisting basically of a solid fill to extend 1,023 feet offshore. For construction of a groin which will affect tidal currents, the Trustees' policy required state license based on recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and the Road Department arranged for inspection and report. The Laboratory advised that no serious effects were expected, but suggested inclusion of several culverts and supplemental filling and also suggested that the project should be approved with the assumption that the Road Department and/or Monroe County assumed full responsibility for adverse effects on erosion and accretion which might result from the installation.

The Director recommended that the Trustees authorize the dedication, with a clause imposing responsibility for damage upon the Road Department, which is the applicant, providing that said Department will have jurisdiction and control of the road but may enter into agreement whereby the county assumes all or part of the responsibility for damage. It was also recommended that a certified copy of the Trustees' minutes be delivered to the State Road Department



in lieu of formal permit under the coastal structures regulations, and that approval of the project be transmitted to the U. S. District Engineer, whose permit issuance was deferred to allow study by the Coastal Laboratory.

The Trustees examined the map and plans submitted by the applicant, and commented on the unusual aspects of the project, which it was understood was to be financed from secondary road funds. Information was that the Road Department was awaiting approval of the dedication before letting of the contract for construction of the White Street extension.

Upon motion of Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved dedication of the submerged land applied for by the State Road Department, the dedication instrument to include a clause imposing responsibility for consequential damages upon the Road Department, which will have jurisdiction but may enter into agreement with Monroe County as to all or part of responsibility for damages, that certified copy of these minutes be furnished in lieu of formal permit, and that U. S. District Engineer be informed of Trustees' approval of the project.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The West Coast Inland Navigation District applied for right of way easement for the intracoastal waterway in Pinellas County.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of easement to West Coast Inland Navigation District as requested.

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BREVARD COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of State Permit to John A. Goldberg and wife in accordance with recommendation of Coastal Engineering Laboratory for one earthen pier or groin extending into the Banana River at the applicant's property, North 6.79 chains of South 26.05 chains of Section 6, Township 26 South, Range 37 East, Merritt Island. The Director stated that the groin was built before the Trustees were notified, and he suggested that bond in the sum of \$500.00 be required.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of the permit for the usual charge of \$10.00, and that bond of \$500.00 be required from the permittee.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of State Permit to the City of Hollywood, in accordance with recommendation of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, for installation of one groin extending into the Atlantic Ocean at the end of Nevada Street, Hollywood Beach, without bond. The permit previously approved (October 28, 1958) was for groin at end of Connecticut Avenue, and was never issued due to change in proposed location.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of permit as recommended, for the usual charge of \$10.00, in favor of the City of Hollywood, waiving surety bond for the municipality.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: A. E. Rhoads applied for permission to pump 250 yards of fill material from Lake June-in-Winter (Lake Stearns) to improve the beach in front of his property in the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 25, Township 36 South, Range 29 East. The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission had approved dredging in this lake.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve permit to Mr. Rhoads on receipt of the charge of \$75.00 plus \$12.50 for the material at the standard yardage rate.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: Edward P. Scherer applied to dredge material from the bottoms of Lake Osborne to fill and improve his reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, heretofore purchased from the Trustees. The Director recommended that permission be granted without charge, and reported that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission had approved dredging in the area.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees grant permission to Mr. Scherer for the improvement to his reclaimed lake bottom land, as requested.

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MISCELLANEOUS

MANATEE COUNTY: Application for corrective deed was made by Bayshore Realty, on behalf of Sidney R. Newman, Suncoast Realty Co., and Frederick E. Winkler, as Trustee, to correct the description in Trustees' Deed No. 21625 dated June 19, 1959 in which two calls between the cadastral land tie and the point of beginning were in error as to distance.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of corrective deed as requested, for the usual charge of \$10.00.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Mr. Larson asked for a report on the status of the Manatee County bulkhead line, about which many inquiries were being directed to the Trustees.

Mr. Ferguson advised the Board that the bulkhead line had not been received from Manatee County, but some unofficial maps had been examined. Information was that the bulkhead line worked on for 15 months and recommended to the county by its zoning and planning committee was not accepted, and another line was set farther offshore. He said that about forty miles of lines would be involved, and there had been such a volume of correspondence from interested parties that the office had used a form letter to reply. One of the Manatee County Commissioners had conferred with the staff, and was requested to submit the proposed bulkhead line in preliminary form for study as soon as possible, and that complete and detailed maps could be submitted later.

The Trustees directed that the minutes reflect the discussion on the subject of the Manatee County bulkhead lines.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On May 26 the Trustees referred to Assistant Attorney General McLane and the Director the applications by Ben H. Overton on behalf of George C. Marsic and Barbara Falk, as the maps which had been furnished by applicant failed to coordinate locations with each other or with Cabbage Key. A new, undated, uncertified map was received by Mr. McLane, which showed the area in question tied to a corner more than a mile away in Section 19-32-16 on Pine Key, which did not comply with request of the staff made in 1958 for a survey tied to a nearer corner of Government Lot 2 of Section 30-32-16 on Cabbage Key.

Mr. Ferguson stated that before any further sales of sovereignty lands, the first thing to be accomplished should be issuance of corrective deeds to describe areas previously conveyed to Marsic, Falk and Mrs. Waldron, actually occupied by them under their purchases, and that a satisfactory survey map had not been submitted to make possible correct legal descriptions. Next step to be cleared would be applications by Mr. Overton for establishment of bulkhead lines and sales for processing by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority to the Trustees, since proposed sales of additional sovereignty lands to Falk and Marsic had not been advertised for objections, and compliance with provisions of Chapter 57-362 was indicated as necessary.

Mr. Overton reviewed matters related to the previous sales, showing coast charts and maps, one of which he stated was an on-the-ground survey recently made for his clients. He agreed that corrective descriptions were necessary for the several deeds, and urged that descriptions be prepared by the Trustees' office from the map his clients had had prepared at considerable expense. He reviewed the minutes, stating that at the same time the Tierra Verde development was being considered, two years ago, the Trustees agreed to make conveyances to his clients but deeds had not been issued, and that compliance with the Bulkhead Act would not be required.

Mr. Larson said that the Board desired to have correctly described what had already been sold, and that he felt the Governor should be present when decision was made on Mr. Overton's applications.

Mr. Ervin said that in equity, Mr. Overton's clients should receive the same consideration as the Green interests (Tierra Verde sale) and Walter Collany; that while there was a division of opinion on the subject, he thought Marsic and Falk might be entitled to what they asked for. He also felt that the Governor should be consulted, as at a previous hearing the Governor had indicated on a small map the submerged areas which he thought might be conveyed to Marsic and Falk.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that Mr. Overton's applications be considered at the next meeting, at which time the Governor would be present.

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**SARASOTA COUNTY:** The Attorney General called attention to a letter dated July 28, 1959 from Sarasota County Commissioner James L. Neville in which it was stated that efforts were being made by private interests to exclude the public from foreshore areas by erecting fences and other measures, claiming the foreshore as private beach. Mr. Ervin stated that it would be desirable to have joint action of the Trustees and the County Commissioners to set up some procedure to prevent filling and blocking of the public beach areas, and the county was anxious to define its authority on behalf of the public right to use the foreshore area between normal high and low tides without obstruction or other means taken by upland owners to exclude the public.

Without objection, the Trustees agreed to cooperate with the County to work out procedures to protect the rights of the public in the premises, and referred the matter to the Attorney General.

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**RELEASES OF RESERVED OIL AND MINERALS** under Section 270.11 as amended by Chapter 59-220, Acts of 1959. Prior to the enactment of the amendment, the Trustees granted the staff authority to issue quitclaims of reserved oil and minerals to the record title holder of building lots or units of one acre or less. The amendment allows release or quitclaim of the reservation, at discretion of Trustees or Board of Education, as to building sites greater than one acre in area, applicable to building sites for industrial use, garage-filling stations, supermarkets, and other large buildings.

Mr. Ferguson requested statement of policy as to whether the staff shall have the authority to process the quitclaims in such clear instances without referring each matter to the Trustees, and he recommended continuation of the present rate of \$10.00 for the first unit of one acre or less, plus \$1.00 for each additional unit of one acre or less, to a single owner, for a building site or sites.

Mr. Ferguson presented a pending application by Terence D. Moss and wife for release of 1.43 acres in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, Township 47 South, Range 38 East and in SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 22, Township 47 South, Range 38 East, Palm Beach County, for a filling station site, and recommended release for \$11.00 based on the charges made heretofore.



Also, attention was called to a recorded plat of Arrowhead Lakes Subdivision in Orange County, showing numbered lots, many in excess of 1 acre on upland, other lots being extended into the water areas of the lake. The Director recommended release of areas on upland as building lots to the owner, and recommended rejection of applications as to water lots or lots partly in lakes, since these would not appear to be building sites.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the release to Mr. Moss and wife of the Palm Beach County parcel as recommended by the Director; that recommendation be approved as to release of upland areas in the Orange County subdivision and rejection of applications for water or part-water lots; and that the Trustees' staff shall have authority to process releases under the amendment to Section 270.11 at the same handling charge rate, without referring each individual application to the Board for consideration.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Personnel. The Director recommended employment of Albert Lewis ("Jack") Buford, Jr., as a staff assistant in the Trustees' Office, effective September 1st, for 90-day probation period, at a salary of \$5,400.00 per year.

Motion was made and adopted that Mr. Buford be employed as recommended.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Equipment. Upon motion duly adopted, the Board approved purchase, for use in the Trustees' office, of 1 steel "Forms Cabinet" costing approximately \$42.25, and 1 four-drawer file cabinet costing approximately \$103.70.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Richard W. Ervin*  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: *[Signature]*

DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 11, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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The minutes of the Trustees' meeting of July 28, 1959, having been approved by the Attorney General and presented to each member, were approved without objection.

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PINELIAS COUNTY: Mr. Ben Overton appeared, representing George Marsic and wife, Ada Marsic, and Barbara I. W. Falk and husband, Donald Falk, seeking delineation of submerged lands sought to be acquired in connection with upland ownership. Also participating in the discussion was Dr. Bradley Waldron, representing himself and wife. It was the express desire of the Trustees to settle once and for all on a sound and reasonable basis just what submerged lands should be conveyed to these private owners based upon negotiations which have extended over many years.

It became clear in the discussion that the line separating the ownerships of the Marsics and the Waldrons on Panama Key was in dispute, but that such line should be susceptible to specific determination within a relatively short time.

The Trustees agreed that it would be their intent to convey to the Marsics submerged land adjoining their upland ownership on Panama Key roughly extending out north and east possibly 150 feet to 175 feet with the total area extending north to a line roughly 75 feet northerly of the northern tip of said Panama Key.

Also, the Trustees expressed the desire to convey to the Falks submerged lands roughly the same width as the length of God's Island and extending westerly to a point in line with the extension of the west line of submerged lands referred to pertaining to Panama Key. It was also understood that the original description of the Falk ownership on God's Island was faulty and that a new deed conveying the submerged lands northwesterly thereof should also embrace a proper description to the basic upland ownership. The east line should approximate the eastern shore line of God's Island on a straight line basis.

Mr. Ferguson, Dr. Waldron and Mr. Overton were requested to collaborate for the development of adequate legal and agreed-upon descriptions to embrace these conveyances and that such report would be available to the Trustees at their meeting three weeks hence, on September 1. It was understood, of course, that when these descriptions have been agreed upon, the Trustees would advertise the proposed sales for objections only and the ultimate decision to sell or not to sell would be made after the time provided for such objections to be filed.

Mr. Overton expressly stated that in the event of an agreed-upon settlement of the line of demarcation between the Marsic and Waldron properties on Panama Key, such would put at rest permanently any conflicting claims that his client would have to the property claimed by Dr. Waldron and his wife.

The action of the Trustees was to informally agree on the above points, subject to confirmation at meeting of September 1 if the descriptions are worked out by the parties satisfactorily.

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#### LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR THIS DATE

BRADFORD COUNTY: On June 23 the Trustees considered offer of \$15.50 per acre from Paul F. Hoffman for purchase of Government Lots 7, 8, N $\frac{1}{2}$  of 9 and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of 11, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 20 East, containing 245.85 acres, for use as a hunting preserve. The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Telegraph, Starke, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out and competitive bidding resulted in a high bid of \$37.00 per acre by William Ehrenpries.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the land advertised to the high bidder at the total price of \$9,096.45.

DADE COUNTY: On June 30 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Seadade Realty, Inc., represented by Ernest J. Hewett of Miami, for purchase of Sections 31 and 32 of Township 57 South, Range 40 East, containing 1,223.20 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Miami Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Description of the land was called out, and bids were taken on the gross area subject to reduction in area and price for 93.13 acres requested by Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District to be withheld from sale and conveyed by easements for Canal C-106 and Levee L-31. (See item in minutes of this date re District's request). High bid of \$269.78 per acre was made by American Mortgage Company, and bidder expressed willingness to purchase total area less the 93.13 acres required by the District.

Samuel C. Halpert had proposed an exchange involving the Dorian Building in Tallahassee, but the Board's decision was that the land should be sold for the highest cash bid.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees accept the high bid from American Mortgage Company for the two sections in Dade County, subject to exception of that area required by the District and proportionate reduction in total price of \$330,000.00.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 404-11-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre from Naples Bay Industries, abutting upland owner, represented by W. Turner Wallis, for a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 3, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 1 acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Collier County News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Caroline E. Downing filed protest to the manner of extension of the property lines, which the Director explained was in line with the usual policy of the Trustees. The map submitted was examined by the Board.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees overrule the objections and confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Naples Bay Industries, at the price offered.

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ESCAMBIA COUNTY: File No. 438-17-253.12. On June 30 the Trustees considered application by the U. S. Department of the Navy for conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in Pensacola Bay adjacent to U. S. Naval Air Station, containing 2.1639 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in The Pensacola News, proof of publication was furnished the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made, and unanimously adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance to the United States of the parcel advertised, for no charge other than payment of advertising costs.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 387-44-253.12. On May 19 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections upon offer by Ralph E. Cornish, as trustee, the abutting upland owner, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 14 and 23, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Windley Key, containing 155.0 acres, more or less. The tract was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the tract advertised to the applicant, at the appraised price.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 403-44-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections upon offer by A. J. Borchester, upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land located in the Straits of Florida in Section 33, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, lying southeasterly of and adjacent to Boca Chica Key, containing 2.06 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Letter dated August 5 was received from the U. S. Department of the Navy requesting that this sale be deferred pending a determination regarding the properties that the Navy will acquire in the area of the U. S. Naval Air Station, Key West.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees defer consideration of the sale, pending further information from the United States.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 425-44-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees considered application by Suzanne Harvison, upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Section 23, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, 2.6 acres, more or less, lying in the Bay of Florida, and 2.2 acres, more or less, being in the Straits of Florida. The parcels were advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections to the sale were received from O. R. Matousek and Guion T. DeLoach, on behalf of clients, on the grounds that the boundary lines should be extended straight out. The Director showed the Trustees on the map submitted how the submerged area applied for was equitably apportioned in relation to other riparian owners, and extended out only to the area bulkhead line.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees overrule objections and confirm sale of the area advertised in favor of the applicant, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 428-44-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees considered offer by James G. Adams, the abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Niles Channel in Section 36, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, Summerland Key, containing 0.40 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protest was filed by Oren E. Morton, who subsequently advised the applicant's agent he was withdrawing his objection, and planned to extend his lot in the same manner.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees overrule objection and confirm sale of the area advertised in favor of Mr. Adams, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 429-44-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees considered offer by Arthur B. Hersberger, abutting upland owner, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 24, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 0.95 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. Hersberger, at the price offered.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 426-50-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon offer by Elias J. Bendeck, abutting owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale to Mr. Bendeck at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 427-50-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections upon offer by George J. Nassef, upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.524 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received to the sale.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees confirm sale to Mr. Nassef at the price offered.

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#### LEASES

PREVARD COUNTY: Henry N. Thompson requested 5-year extension of his Campsite Lease No. 1003, expiring August 9, 1960, covering a 2-acre spoil bank at Sebastian Inlet in Section 20, Township 30 South, Range 39 East, at a rental of \$48.00 per year. Mr. Thompson advised that he built a road and cabins, provided well and other improvements, and cannot secure loan to make other needed improvements without extension of the lease, which is in good standing.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve 5-year extension of Campsite Lease No. 1003 under the same terms and conditions, as requested by Mr. Thompson.

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DADE COUNTY: William P. Radford and W. J. Booth, joint holders of 5-year Campsite Lease No. 963 expiring November 22, 1959, covering 200 by 200 feet in Section 13, Township 58 South, Range 40 East, on Long Arsenicker Key, at \$50.00 per year, requested 5-year extension of their lease.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve 5-year extension of Campsite Lease No. 963 under the same terms and conditions.

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MONROE COUNTY: Lee F. Franklin, holder of Lease No. 722 covering a fishing camp area in Section 22, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, adjacent to U. S. Highway No. 1 near Division Point, requested permit to erect and maintain one sign approximately 500 yards from the camp, 15 feet outside the highway right-of-way on state sovereignty land. The Director recommended permit uniform in general provisions with the permits granted two operators of camps at Jewfish Creek - not to exceed 10 by 20 feet at annual rental of \$50.00 per year, subject to compliance with the State Outdoor Advertising Law.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of permit to Mr. Franklin for erection and maintenance of one sign as recommended by the Director.

### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: On behalf of Raymond G. Williams and Advance Properties, Inc., owners of portions of Tract "A", Maule Federal Highway Industrial Sites, in Section 9, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, application was made by W. T. Wallis for quitclaim deeds from the Trustees to the reclaimed bottom of the former Oleta River in said Tract "A", between Greynolds Park and the present Oleta River. In exchange for quitclaim deeds, the applicants offered to convey right-of-way through privately-owned Maule Lake to connect the present river with right-of-way of Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District (extension of Snake Creek).

Title report showed the land adjacent to the former river was vested in Mr. Williams and his grantee, Advance Properties, Inc., and information was furnished that the old river offered only limited navigability and did not serve any drainage purpose.

In the absence of any request from the District for the right-of-way, the Trustees did not see that the exchange was advantageous to the state, and suggestion was made that sale of the former river bottom to the applicants might be considered.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees deny application for quitclaim deeds in exchange for right-of-way offered.

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DADE COUNTY: Request was made by Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District for withholding from sale for perpetual right-of-way easement 93.13 acres of land included in the application by Seadade Realty, Inc., (sold at competitive sale this date to American Mortgage Co., subject to exception of the area required by the District). The following described land was requested by the District:

South 130 ft. of Section 31, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, for Canal C-106 - 15.75 acres.

South 145 ft. of Section 32, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, for Canal C-106, and the East 500 ft. of Section 32, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, for Levee L-31 - 77.38 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of easement to the District covering the parcels required.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Morris Steigler proposed to tender three U. S. bonds maturing in 1967-1972, 2 1/4%, to be credited on the unpaid balance of approximately \$7,152.08 on his Contract No. 21997. The Trustees' auditor reviewed the proposal with the State Board of Administration and advised that the amount to be credited would be the quotation value as of the date the bonds are received plus accrued interest.

The Director recommended that U. S. bonds be accepted and credited as requested, and that Mr. Steigler be furnished copy of statement of value of the credit as given by the Board of Administration.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the recommendation of the Director, and that the bonds received be added to the Trustees' investment folio.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: The Trustees' office was requested to furnish to an agent for certain applicants copies of agendas and minutes of all Trustees' meetings. The Director explained that the office endeavored to furnish any applicant, upon request, copy of agenda and excerpt from the minutes covering his matter before the Trustees, but issuance of these materials for general circulation had not been the practice of the office. He suggested that such distribution be on a paid subscription basis to cover the estimated cost.



Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve distribution of agendas and minutes on a subscription basis, with annual charge of \$12.00 for agendas and \$15.00 for minutes.

TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Authority was requested to purchase for the office of the Trustees one air conditioner, 3/4 hp. 115 v. 7 1/2 amp., approximate cost being \$170.00, plus necessary installation cost.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the request for equipment and installation, and the Director was asked to call on the Purchasing Division to handle the purchase.

SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 728 listing 5 bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorized issuance of Hillsborough County Deed No. 625-Corrective-Supplemental to Hillsborough County which was for the purpose of correcting part of description and adding certificate number omitted in original deed issued December 31, 1940.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
August 18, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: Ray E. Green  
J. Edwin Larson  
Richard W. Ervin

Comptroller  
Treasurer  
Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 469-11-253.12. Roy E. Ingram and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by W. R. Wilson & Associates, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less, in the City of Naples, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel of submerged land applied for, based on offer submitted by Mr. Ingram.

DADE COUNTY: File No. 439-13-253.12. Rosalie Wolfe and Geraldine Wolfe, abutting upland owners, represented by Smathers, Thompson & Dyer, offered the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, containing 1.44 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line shown on Sheet 39 of the Dade County bulkhead maps.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel of submerged land applied for, based on the offer submitted.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 440-13-253.12. Iris Ann Savage, abutting upland owner, represented by Smathers, Thompson & Dyer, offered the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, containing 1.1 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line shown on Sheet 39 of the Dade County bulkhead maps.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel of submerged land applied for, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 466-44-253.12. Donald W. Smith, James J. Griffiths and Frank J. Kelly, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 24, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 2.6 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for, based on the applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 467-44-253.12. R. Lucille Parman, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for, based on the offer submitted.

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#### LEASES; PERMITS

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Mrs. Katherin M. Waggaman, holder of Grazing Lease No. 531-A upon which rental of \$2,084.44 was due on July 10, 1959, tendered check for \$1,000.00 and requested an extension of time to November 5, 1959 for payment of the balance due. She stated that the pasture was flooded most of the year.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees accept the partial payment now, and allow extension of time, without penalty, for payment of the balance of the amount due.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 266-50-253.124. On behalf of Donald C. Lainhart and George D. Lainhart, request was made by Brockway, Weber & Brockway for formal approval of Fill Permit granted by the City of West Palm Beach on August 10, 1959, to fill lands purchased on the westerly side of Lake Worth.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees approve Fill Permit as requested.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of Permit No. D01, for dredging only, granted to John W. Young by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on July 23, 1959. Information was that the applicant desired to clear a channel to improve navigation, and any material removed would be disposed of by depositing on his owned uplands.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the dredging permit granted by Pinellas County Authority to John W. Young, as requested.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 287-52-253.124. The Director recommended approval of Fill Permit No. DF93 granted by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on August 12, 1959 to Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., to dredge and fill submerged lands owned by the applicant in Clearwater Harbor.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the fill permit granted by Pinellas County Authority to Clearwater Bay Marine Ways, Inc., as requested.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

HENDRY COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of perpetual easement requested by Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District covering the North 130 feet of Section 2, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, for right-of-way for Levee L-26. This North 130 feet was excepted when the Trustees on February 19, 1952, conveyed the remainder of said Section 2 by Deed No. 19367"C"-2.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of perpetual easement to the Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District as recommended.

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LEE COUNTY: The State Road Department applied for dedication of submerged land, sand bars, and islands in San Carlos Bay, comprising 0.96 of an acre, more or less, in Sections 9 and 10, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, required for State Road No. 867.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication to the State Road Department as requested.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Harry A. Johnston, County Attorney, requested modification of Trustees' Deed No. 18516 as to the limited use clause with reference to 3.44 acres in Section 29, Township 44 South, Range 43 East, being part of 555.7 acres conveyed to the county by Deed No. 18516 October 9, 1939 for park and forest purposes only. It was explained that provisions of House Bill 894 of the 1959 Legislature authorized the county to convey the land to Palm Beach Association for Retarded Children, a non-profit corporation.

The Director recommended issuance of a proper instrument amending the limited use clause as to the 3.44 acres to allow conveyance by the county to the Association for use, in addition to forest and park purposes, for the school and recreational center for retarded children, subject to reversion to the Trustees if used for any other purpose.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board, and referred the preparation of proper instrument to the Attorney General.

MONROE COUNTY: On July 28 the Trustees approved refund to Rutherford Lumber Company of amount paid as rentals on Lease No. 920 issued in 1953 covering areas subsequently conveyed to the United States within boundaries of Everglades National Park, in exchange for proper instrument from the company surrendering and cancelling the lease. Except for taking a few mangroves for experimental purposes, the company was not able to exercise lease rights due to expansion of the park boundaries.

Attorney General Ervin stated that Raymond O. Burr, on behalf of the company, objected to cancellation of the lease as his client desired the Federal government to condemn the lease area. Mr. Ervin thought that the Trustees should require surrender of the lease in exchange for refund of rentals which had been held in escrow since 1955.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees confirm their action of July 28 authorizing refund in exchange for proper instrument from the company surrendering and cancelling Lease No. 920.

CAPITOL BUILDING ALTERATIONS: On March 4 the Trustees authorized expenditure of an estimated \$20,000.00 for remodeling offices in the north wing of the capitol for the Attorney General and the State Treasurer, and on April 14 the Trustees authorized the payment from Trustees' funds of contractor's low bid of \$22,421.00 including some extra work found to be necessary.

The work was completed, all bills came in for payment, and the Trustees' auditor reported a total cost, including the architect's fees, of \$23,716.96, which exceeded the approved total by \$1,295.96.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize expenditure of the additional amount required to complete payment of all bills in connection with the work done under the direction of the Building Committee, and Mr. Terry Lee's office.

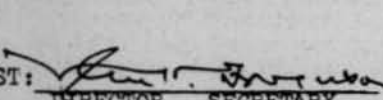
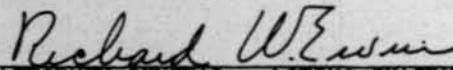
#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve Report No. 729 listing 2 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act and authorize issuance of deeds corresponding thereto.

SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Florida Board of Forestry requested conveyance of Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 10, Plat "A", in Section 10, Township 5 North, Range 26 West, located near the village of Belandville on Blackwater River State Forest.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance under Chapter 21684 of 1943, without advertisement or public sale, for \$20.00 per lot, or a total consideration of \$60.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:    
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY ATTORNEY GENERAL - ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 1, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of August 4, 11 and 18, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

DADE COUNTY: File No. 397-13-253.12. On July 14, 1959, the Trustees confirmed sale to The Miami Herald Publishing Company, abutting upland owner, of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 36, Township 53 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 0.24 of an acre, more or less, for the appraised price of \$11,593.00 per acre.

Due to error in the legal notice based on an error in the survey, the Attorney General recommended readvertisement and reconfirmation of sale by the Trustees. Special form of notice was published in The Miami Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. On the date advertised for reconfirmation, August 25, there was not a quorum present, and the Director requested reconfirmation of the sale on this date.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees reconfirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land in favor of The Miami Herald Publishing Company, at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 27-44-253.12. On July 7 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only on offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre by Iva Storm Davis, abutting upland owner represented by Paul E. Sawyer, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.82 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees. A quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, August 25, the Director requested consideration of the sale on this date.

Protest to the sale was filed by A. W. Cherney on behalf of the estate of C. F. Forsythe and Mrs. Sidney Holiday on the grounds that sale might reduce the value of their upland property and cut them off from the water front, however Mr. Ferguson explained that the parcel applied for was riparian to applicant's upland property and sale would not affect the objector's riparian rights.

In view of the fact that the file disclosed no plan for the parcel applied for, or an area-wide plan or picture, the Governor felt that proposed extension might be a hardship on adjacent owners.

Motion was made and adopted that the sale be denied pending further information or development of an area-wide shoreline plan.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 29-44-253.12. On July 14th the Trustees considered offer of \$300.00 per acre, the appraised price, from Billy Conner, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 1, Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, at Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.74 of an acre, more or less. The tract was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received. A quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, August 25, consideration was deferred till this date.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel applied for to Mr. Conner, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 95-44-253.12. On July 7th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections on offer by Anna Dagney Johnson, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 12, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.83 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received. A quorum not being present on the advertised sale date, August 25, consideration was requested on this date.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the advertised parcel to the applicant, at the appraised price.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 419-13-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application by Mary E. Gischel and A. B. Thomas, abutting upland owners represented by William W. Muir, who offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 1.22 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Miami Herald, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Director recommended confirmation of sale, subject to possible adjustment of area by prorating submerged area adjacent to the concave shoreline, which adjustment might be required by reason of an objection received to another application in the vicinity (File No. 421-13-253.12).

The Trustees felt that the City of Miami should advise as to right of way needed for possible future extension of Kirk Street, before submerged riparian areas could be equitably prorated to upland owners who desired to purchase.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin and adopted that the Director ask the City of Miami to plat and request dedication of the right of way for future extension of Kirk Street, if desired, and action was deferred on sale of the parcel applied for by Miss Gischel and Mr. Thomas.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 420-13-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application by Martha Boyd Siekman, abutting upland owner represented by William W. Muir, who offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 2.07 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Miami Herald, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.



The Director recommended confirmation of sale subject to possible adjustment of area by prorating submerged land adjacent to the concave shoreline, which adjustment might be required by reason of an objection filed to another application in the vicinity (File No. 421-13-253.12).

As in the case of File No. 419-13-253.12, above, the Trustees felt that the City of Miami should be contacted with reference to possible requirement of right of way for extension of Kirk Street.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the Director ask the City of Miami to plat and request dedication of right of way for future extension of Kirk Street, if desired, and action was deferred on sale of the parcel applied for by Mrs. Siekman.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 421-13-253.12. On June 16th the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application by Robert B. Hovey and wife, abutting upland owners represented by William W. Muir, who offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, City of Miami, containing 1.72 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Miami Herald, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Miracopa Corporation, property holder on the south of the proposed sale, filed objection on the ground that submerged area applied for did not extend at right angles to South Bayshore Drive, and that Kirk Street extension would overlap a portion of the submerged land applied for. Mr. Ferguson showed the Trustees the map submitted, calling attention to the concave shape of the shoreline which would not allow equitable division of riparian areas if lines were extended at right angles, and he recommended that in the event the city did not require extension of Kirk Street, the layout applied for should stand. Confirmation of sale was recommended subject to possible adjustment of area by prorating submerged land adjacent to the upland property as in the case of File Nos. 419 and 420, above.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the Director ask the City of Miami to plat and request dedication of right of way for future extension of Kirk Street, if desired, and action was deferred on sale of the parcel applied for by Mr. Hovey.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 446-13-253.12. On July 21st the Trustees considered application by Violet J. Becker and Charles Hime, abutting upland owners, represented by Walsh, Simmonite, Budd & Walsh, who offered the appraised price of \$400.00 per acre for a tract of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 25, Township 55 South, Range 40 East, containing 53.7 acres, more or less. The tract was advertised for objections only in The Miami Herald, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, on which Mr. Ferguson pointed out the bulkhead line previously established for the peculiar coastal area where the county desired to maintain a canal.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale of the advertised parcel to applicants, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 445-44-253.12. On July 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from John A. Bentz, abutting upland owner, for the purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, containing 1.0 acre, more or less.

The parcel was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protest to the sale was filed by Anthony L. Ulchar, owner of three lots immediately adjacent. Mr. Ulchar had previously purchased submerged land riparian to two of his lots and had application pending for purchase outward from the third lot, and the Director recommended objection to Mr. Bentz's purchase be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objection and confirmed sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. Bentz, at the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 447-44-253.12. On July 21st the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Frank F. Taylor, Jr., and wife, and Jeff D. Gautier, as Trustee, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 11, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.51 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale to the applicants, at the appraised price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

GULF COUNTY: File No. 475-23-253.12. John J. Grimes and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, applied to purchase submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22 of Township 9 South, Range 11 West, comprising 38.86 acres within the bulkhead line approved by the Trustees on August 19, 1958.

Mr. Ferguson indicated the parcel on the map submitted, in a very shallow area which would almost certainly be improved by development, and recommended price of \$10.00 be set.

The Trustees felt that it was very desirable that work be started immediately to encourage development in the area.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertising for objections conditioned upon applicants offering \$10.00 per acre.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 476-23-253.12. Joel C. Taylor, abutting upland owner represented by Silas R. Stone, applied to purchase 39.22 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, within the established bulkhead line.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and commented that improvement in the shallow muddy-bottom area would be desirable. Price of \$10.00 per acre was recommended for the land applied for.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertising for objections conditioned upon applicant offering \$10.00 per acre.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 477-23-253.12. Thomas A. Sproull and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, applied to purchase 22.70 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 14 and 23, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, within the established bulkhead line.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and commented that development in the shallow muddy-bottom area would be desirable. Price of \$10.00 per acre was recommended for the land applied for.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertising for objections conditioned upon applicant offering \$10.00 per acre.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 478-23-253.12. George G. Tapper Co., Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Silas R. Stone, applied to purchase 72.05 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 12 West, and in Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 11 West. Price of \$10.00 per acre was recommended for the land applied for, and the Trustees felt that development in this area would be desirable.

Also, request was made for formal approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established for this applicant by the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County on August 11, 1959, said line being in St. Joseph's Bay offshore of Original Government Lot 7 of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 12 West, Gulf County.

The Trustees examined on the bulkhead map the location of this line, also the bulkhead line approved in 1958, and the over-all line proposed by the county but not yet submitted, which will tie together the bulkhead lines for this St. Joseph's Bay area.

Motion was made and adopted that the bulkhead line fixed by Gulf County on August 11, 1959, be formally approved.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertising for objections the parcel applied for by George G. Tapper Co., Inc., conditioned upon acceptance of price of \$10.00 per acre.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 479-23-253.12. Thomas S. Gibson, abutting upland owner represented by Silas R. Stone, applied to purchase 94.68 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22 of Township 9 South, Range 11 West. Price of \$10.00 per acre was recommended for the land, and Trustees expressed the feeling that development in this area would be desirable.

Also, request was made for formal approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established for this applicant by Resolution dated August 11, 1959 by the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, said line being in St. Joseph's Bay offshore of the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Original Government Lot 2 and all of Original Government Lot 3 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County.

The Director pointed out on the map submitted the bulkhead line for this application parcel, also the bulkhead line approved in 1958, and the over-all line indicated by the county but not yet submitted for approval, which will tie together the bulkhead line for the St. Joseph's Bay area.

Motion was made and adopted that the bulkhead line established by Gulf County on August 11, 1959 be formally approved.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertising for objections the parcel applied for by Mr. Gibson, conditioned upon his offering \$10.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 473-44-253.12. Thomas J. Taylor and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.56 of an acre, more or less.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only, based on the offer presented.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 442-50-253.36. K. C. Smith, abutting riparian owner, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 34, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, in Lake Okeechobee, containing 17.97 acres, more or less.

The Director recommended approval of application and conveyance without advertisement in accordance with the usual policy of the Trustees for sale of reclaimed lake bottom to upland owners.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, seconded and adopted, that action be deferred and that the Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District be asked for recommendation on the proposed sale.

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#### LEASES

DADE COUNTY: On December 30, 1958 the Trustees authorized a revision of an agreement which had been executed October 9, 1958 between the Trustees and Commonwealth Oil Company, for itself and Coastal Petroleum Company, holders jointly of Leases 340-340-A and 1055, on adjacent properties. The revision required (1) well to be commenced in 6 months after October 14, 1958 and drilled to 11,500 feet under Lease 1055 instead of 6,000 feet as compliance with provision in Lease 1055 for a well within the 2½-year period ending February 15, 1959; also (2) that under Lease 340-340-A a well should be commenced within 90 days after compliance with (1) and completed within 6 months thereafter to a depth of 11,500 feet as compliance with requirement of well under Lease 340-340-A within the 2½-year period ending October 14, 1958.

On August 25, 1959 Commonwealth Oil Company advised that well was commenced under Lease 1055 on April 13, 1959, drilled to 11,675 feet, and plugged on June 29, 1959 in accordance with rules of the State Department of Conservation. This evidences compliance with "(1)" of the revised agreement authorized December 30, 1958. Under the revised agreement, a well under Lease 340-340-A should be commenced by April 14, 1960.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the report for the record.

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MONROE COUNTY: The California Company, represented by Truett & Watkins, submitted survey showing location of proposed drilling under Lease No. 1011 held by said company, together with photocopies of executed consent in writing by all upland owners in the vicinity, the drilling site being on sovereignty lands covered by the lease, at Big Pine Key.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees will recognize as fulfillment of the drilling obligation for a well under Lease No. 1011, the drilling of a well to the required depth and within the period prescribed by the lease, at the designated location.

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WALTON COUNTY: The Director recommended that Treasure Lease No. 1234 issued February 23, 1959 to J. W. Prince and Horace W. Gouveia covering Choctawhatchee Bay bottom lands in Walton County be cancelled by reason of default of the required surety bond. Registered notices were forwarded to the lessees on July 23, but bond was not reinstated.

Motion was made and adopted that Treasure Lease No. 1234 be cancelled as recommended.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**BREVARD COUNTY:** The Director brought up for preliminary discussion the pending application by Cape Canaveral Hospital District, established by a 1959 Legislative Act (H.B. 2301) as a taxing district, for a site in the Indian River north of State Road 520 (causeway) approximately 2,200 feet westerly from the mainland at Cocoa Beach for filling and location of a hospital, reported very badly needed, and for which local referendum election on August 17 was successful. The south line of the tract, laid out in very shallow water, was 100 feet north of the center line of Road 520, for which the State Road Department held easement 600 feet each side of centerline, and a shift 500 feet northerly to clear the right of way would place the hospital site in an area of greater depth water which would entail added expense of filling.

It was recommended that consideration be given to requesting State Road Department to relinquish or subordinate its easement to permit the public hospital to be located nearer the highway, and also that grant to the hospital be considered of up to 55 acres, for public purposes only, without reverter to allow federal contribution, in an area not riparian to any private upland, and further that sovereignty lands within 500 feet of the site be reserved from any sale for future expansion of the hospital.

The Governor suggested that the State Road Department be asked to yield some of the right of way, with the understanding that no actual construction of buildings would be allowed within a certain distance of the center line of the road.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to work with the Cape Canaveral Hospital interests in preparation of formal application, and further directed him to contact the State Road Department as suggested by Governor Collins.

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**CLAY COUNTY:** Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of dedication for public road purposes to the State Road Department for right of way for bridge approaches across the St. Johns River south of Shands Bridge near Green Cove Springs, Section 71100-2501, State Road 16, covering the following described lands:

Submerged land fills, sand bars, islands and other lands in St. Johns River lying northeast of Section 47, Township 6 South, Range 27 East, containing 502.88 acres, more or less.

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**DADE COUNTY:** The 4525 Corporation requested approval for construction and maintenance at the Eden Roc Hotel in Miami Beach of an elevated sundeck-pier 106 by 190 feet on piling in the Atlantic Ocean immediately east of the foreshore, between existing groins. Application was pending with the U. S. Corps of Engineers, and navigation already limited by the groins would not appear to be affected. Access to the elevated pier was proposed by an open pile trestle across the narrow beach, to be designed so that the foreshore would not be obstructed.

Former Mayor Kenneth Oka appeared on behalf of the applicant, and explained the need for the offshore structure arose because of construction on lot adjacent to the hotel of another hotel's new unit which would shade the cabana and open-sun areas of the Eden Roc - a very necessary part of such a hotel in the winter season. He stated that the city, after notice and public hearing, amended its bulkhead ordinance to allow sundeck-pier construction for only a very limited beach area, thereby approving the Eden Roc plan.

The Director stated that permission for the sundeck-pier was not regarded as interfering with any existing public use of the zone, although it would amount to a concession for private use, but that circumstances might warrant issuance of a lease or permit based on full details for the pier and bridge access.

Governor Collins said that the Trustees were concerned about the aesthetic beauty and public use of the beaches, the possibility that this might establish a bad precedent, and that for consideration of such a radical proposal he thought the full board should be present.

Attorney General Ervin stated that many legal problems were presented, which his office would study, and he could not favor the proposal unless there was overwhelming approval by the citizens and Metro.

It was the consensus of opinion that the plan might be a concession to private commercial interests and detrimental to the public by allowing unprecedented obstruction to the foreshore held in inalienable trust, and the Trustees unanimously voted to defer further consideration until a later date. Mr. Oka was asked to secure a letter from the City of Miami Beach requesting approval by the Trustees.

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DUVAL COUNTY: Chairman Joe B. Mallard of Duval County Port & Industrial Authority, Commissioners Joseph Burnett and Julian Warren, and County Engineer John Crosby were present, and presented the Trustees copies of a feasibility and economic survey of "Goat Island" in the St. Johns River, conveyed to the county under 1957 legislative act, terms of the Trustees' deed having required such report.

The Trustees accepted the survey report for study, and commended the authority and county commissioners for making the study and planning for the best use of the island for port and public purposes.

L. B. Andrews, on behalf of the Heckscher Drive Community Club in Jacksonville, protested that certain recommendation in the feasibility report calling for acquisition and rezoning for industrial use the residential property between San Carlos and Clapboard Creek, excluding from the Heckscher Drive side of the river many who enjoy fishing, boating and bathing.

The Board explained that this was a matter of local zoning and the state had no jurisdiction, its position being only advisory and cooperative insofar as Goat Island was concerned.

The Trustees thanked the delegations for coming. No further action was taken pending study of the survey-report.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Permit No. DF88 granted by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on August 21, 1959 to S. A. Chrysostomides, Lucas L. Pappas, Jack L. Pappas, Louis Geraci and the Anclote Land Company, for dredging and filling submerged land previously purchased.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of corrective deed requested by Berry & Cardozo, on behalf of Arvida Realty Company, to correct Trustees' Deed No. 20254 dated August 20, 1957, wherein two distances did not create a mathematical closure, for the usual handling charge of \$10.00.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Charles W. Pennington and wife, owners of West 100 feet of Lot 34, Original Plan of Tallahassee (across Gaines Street south of old Brevard School) offered to sell to the Trustees for \$26,500.00, conveyance to be by warranty deed, reserving right to occupy for 30 days after conveyance. Information was that asking price had been considerably reduced, now being below appraised price.



The matter of acquisition from time to time of Capitol Center property had been referred to the office of the Attorney General, and Mr. Ervin recommended purchase of the property as offered.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees authorize purchase of the Pennington property at the price offered, \$26,500.00, subject to Mr. Pennington furnishing abstract and paying 1959 taxes, and subject to approval of title by the Attorney General's office.

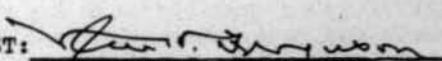
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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 730 listing 5 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 8, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

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APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 488-44-253.12. Eugene Underwood, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of 0.47 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key.

2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 489-44-253.12. Mary Aileen Burgett, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 0.98 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key.

3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 490-44-253.12. Stuart L. Faber and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 50.3 acres of submerged land in Section 33, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. The parcel was landward of the government meander and applicant desired to clear his title.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the three parcels advertised for objections only, based on offers submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 471-50-253.12. William C. Regelmann, abutting upland owner, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.004 acres filled prior to the bulkhead act; and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.147 of an acre. Offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre was made for the parcel to be deeded.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for under "b", based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 474-50-253.12. Robert W. Tindall, abutting upland owner, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.682 acres filled prior to the bulkhead act; and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.701 of an acre, at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for under "b", based on offer of the appraised price.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 130-64-253.12. To comply with an inquiry, the Director presented the application of J. U. Gillespie, on behalf of William L. Turner, for purchase of an island in the Indian River North, in Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, lying easterly of 500-foot right of way of the Intracoastal Waterway, the major portion of which was within perpetual spoil easement MSA-436 to the United States. The Trustees had denied the application September 16, 1958, and recommendation of the Director was again that the application be denied.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees left the previous denial standing.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

LEE COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners of Lee County referred to the Trustees for formal approval a bulkhead line at Sunset Cove fixed by Resolution dated June 17, 1959 at the request of Lowrie Lumber Company. At the suggestion of the staff, the county had amended the description of the bulkhead line, and the following description was recommended for approval:

Commencing at the intersection of the Northwesterly right of way line of Caloosa Avenue and the NEly right of way line of Travers Avenue as shown on Bayshore Park Subd., Plat Book 3, page 40 of Public Records of Lee County; thence run NWly along the NEly right of way line

of Travers Avenue to normal high water line of the Caloosahatchee River; thence continue NWly along last mentioned course a distance of 30 feet to the point of beginning of the bulkhead line hereinafter described; thence SWly 30 feet offshore from the normal high water line to a point on a projection of the SWly line of Lot 27 of Bayshore Park Subd., Plat Book 3, page 40 of Public Records of Lee County, Florida.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the County Commission of Lee County.

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#### LEASES

DADE COUNTY: Jerome D. Carty applied for a 5-year lease of one acre of a shoal area approximately 1,890 feet southeast from Christmas Point near Caesar Creek Canal, as site for a house for fishing and outings, offering \$20.00 per year for the area which the Director stated was remote from land, would not be objectionable to navigation, and was recommended at \$40.00 yearly rental.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of 5-year lease of the area applied for by Mr. Carty, at \$40.00 per year.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: The California Company, under agreement approved by Trustees August 19, 1955, with Coastal Petroleum Company, holder of State Drilling Lease No. 224-A, reported the location for proposed drilling more than one-fourth mile offshore from any upland, in St. George Sound, within the lease area, not within the zone under litigation in the Tidelands case.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees recognize drilling in the proposed location to the depth required and within the time specified in the lease as fulfillment of the lease drilling obligation for a well, provided the company complied with all rules and regulations applicable to drilling in public waters.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Willie N. Veal offered 75¢ per acre per year for five-year grazing lease of Government Lots 8, 9 and 11 in Section 30, Township 41 South, Range 39 East, comprising 122.12 acres. The Director advised that the price was acceptable, part of the land being flooded at times.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of 5-year grazing lease to Mr. Veal for 75¢ per acre annual rental, and inclusion in the lease of a provision for 6-month termination notice.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication to the State Road Department for public road and right of way purposes, for construction and maintenance of State Road No. 25, Sec. 86060-(1103), covering the following lands:

Tract 12 West of right of way of State Road 27 (SR No. 25) of subdivision of Section 9, Township 49 South, Range 39 East, according to the Florida Fruit Lands Company's Subdivision Map No. 2, recorded in PB 1, page 102, of the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida; and



That part of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 49 South, Range 39 East, and Section 32, Township 48 South, Range 39 East, lying within 215 feet westerly of Base Line Survey of State Road No. 25, Sec. 86060;

Containing 18.83 acres, more or less, exclusive of existing road right of way.

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**COLLIER COUNTY:** Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication to the State Road Department for public roadway purposes, for construction and maintenance of a portion of State Road No. 29, Sec. 0307-250, covering the following lands:

That part of the submerged lands, sand bars, fills, islands, and other lands in Chockoloskee Bay in Collier County, being in the unsurveyed portions of Sections 30 and 31, Township 53 South, Range 30 East, and in unsurveyed portions of Sections 23, 24, 25 and 36, Township 53 South, Range 29 East, containing 61 acres, more or less.

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**DADE COUNTY:** On September 1, 1959, the Trustees considered request by the Forty-five Twenty-five Corporation, represented by Kenneth Oka, for permit to build an elevated sundeck-pier on pilings in the Atlantic Ocean east of the foreshore, to provide sunbathing area for guests of the Eden Roc Hotel, and decision was to defer action until this date.

Mr. Oka and Carl T. Hoffman, attorney for the corporation, were present, and presentation was again made to the Trustees to show the need of the Eden Roc Hotel for sunbathing area, the approval by the Miami Beach City Council, which amended an ordinance to permit the proposed structure, and to urge consideration by the Trustees of the sundeck plan as a measure to remedy unprecedented difficulty facing the hotel. Mr. Oka pointed out that the Board last week indicated that a full membership should hear and make decision on this request.

Attorney General Ervin reported on his study of the legal questions, and from the legal standpoint he felt that the state could grant limited rights in portions of the lands under navigable waters in the public interest, provided it did not substantially impair public rights, but there was very little precedent for any type of permit or grant that would change the open beach, and in this instance it could not be considered as involving the public interest, but rather for the guests of a hotel. Mr. Ervin said that assistants in the Miami area made a survey, finding very little local objection from citizens, but from a personal standpoint based on his view that public beaches should not be obstructed for private use, he felt that the sundeck would be a bad precedent. He suggested some kind of temporary permit or lease might be granted to relieve the hardship in the unique situation.

Governor Collins pointed out that building the sundeck might lead to further and more commercial uses of the beach and water area east of the hotel, and it would be difficult to restrict similar requests in view of the proposed concession for the Eden Roc making it impossible to deal equitably with others.

After further discussion, Mr. Hoffman said he would like opportunity to explore legal aspects with the Attorney General, and Mr. Cassel would like to consult Mr. Ervin regarding some kind of lease arrangement.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, and adopted, that the matter be taken under advisement until the next meeting, when the full membership of the Board would be present.

MANATEE COUNTY: Application was made by A. C. Rountree to purchase 400 cubic yards of fill material from Palma Sola Bay to fill landward of his existing seawall, as approved by the County Planning & Zoning Board subject to Trustees' approval.

The Director recommended sale as requested, at the standard yardage rate, plus a suggested fee of \$10.00 for issuance of permits of this type.

Motion was made and adopted that recommendation of the Director be accepted as action of the Trustees, and in the future that \$10.00 fee be required for preparation of all similar permits, plus charge for material applied for at standard yardage rate.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Norman C. Schmid, on behalf of W. W. Wood, applied for permit to dredge 40,000 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Lake Worth from an area riparian to applicant's upland property in Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, to use said material to improve his upland.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit for sale of the material as requested, at the standard yardage rate, which will amount to \$1,400.00.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 212-51-253.124. Request was made for formal approval of fill permits granted on August 11, 1959 by the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County to Howard A. Burkland for filling areas identified in applications as Parcels 4, 5A and 5B Flor-A-Mar. Submerged land to be filled was purchased from the Trustees in June, 1959.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved fill permits as granted by the Board of County Commissioners.

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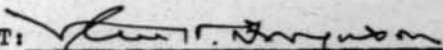
ROSE BUILDING: Attention was called to the lease expiring this month held by the Rose Printing Company. The company requested permission to continue to occupy the building on Monroe Street on a month to month rental basis until completion of the new plant, expected to be finished in about six months after contract letting.

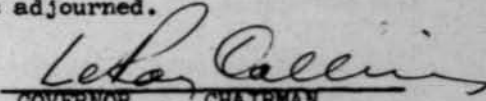
Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Mayo, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize rental on month to month basis, at the same rate paid under the lease, for a period of approximately six months until the company can evacuate the building.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 15, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 485-05-253.12. Cape Canaveral Hospital District of Cocoa Beach, represented by John S. Horn, presented request for conveyance, for public purposes as a hospital, of a parcel of submerged land in the Banana River in Section 34, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, containing 24.1 acres. In accordance with the Trustees' instructions on September 1 following a preliminary discussion on this matter, the Director contacted the State Road Department, which filed with the Trustees approval of the proposed hospital plans. Brevard County Commissioners by Resolution dated September 10 requested Trustees' approval of conveyance of title of the submerged land requested to the Hospital District.

The Trustees examined the map and questioned Mr. Horn regarding the location, plans and financing for the hospital.

The Director recommended that the Trustees overrule an objection from Brevard County Bulkhead Committee, not an official organization of the county, which protested any development in the offshore waters from a conservation standpoint. Also, he recommended conveyance of the 24.1 acres applied for, and that an additional area be reserved for future possible needs of the hospital and for compatible uses, allowing a total area of approximately 55 acres if needs require. In addition, he recommended that the record show that a 500-foot zone around the hospital tract be reserved as a protective zone.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director and granted the submerged land applied for to Cape Canaveral Hospital District, in view of the demonstrated need for a hospital, grant to be conditioned upon (1) work beginning within two years or land reverting to the Trustees, and (2) deed containing public purpose clause.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Bulkhead Line. In connection with the following three applications for submerged land, the Director recommended formal approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established by the City Council of the City of Naples by Resolution No. 753 dated July 8, 1959, being a southward continuation of that bulkhead line fixed by Resolution No. 750 approved by the Trustees on July 7, 1959.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the City of Naples in Resolution No. 753 dated July 8, 1959, being located in the unplatted West Half of Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 494-11-253.12. Naples Yacht Club, Inc., upland owner represented by Smith & Carroll, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 0.425 of an acre of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, within the approved bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on offer of the appraised price.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 495-11-253.12. B. W. Morris, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Smith & Carroll, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 0.055 of an acre of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, within the approved bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on offer of the appraised price.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 496-11-253.12. Edwin M. Watson et al, abutting upland owners represented by Smith & Carroll, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 0.33 of an acre of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, within the approved bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on offer of the appraised price.

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The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 464-44-253.12. On behalf of the University of Miami, Joseph A. Kelleher applied for conveyance without cost of 28.1 acres of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 59 South, Range 41 East, Key Largo, to be used for University of Miami purposes.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 465-44-253.12. Marjorie M. McClellan, represented by Fogle, Wilson & Shingler, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre, or minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 498-44-253.12. Lindsley McChesney et al, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida, containing 19.74 acres, more or less, in Sections 11 and 12, Township 64 South, Range 36 East. The Director said that the State Road Department would be notified of the proposed sale.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the three (3) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted, sale of the third parcel to be subject to approval of State Road Department.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 500-44-253.12. Offer of \$100.00 per acre as base bid was made by Norman Schulman, represented by W. G. Starry, for purchase at competitive bid of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 12, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing 77.13 acres, more or less, lying between Teatable Key Channel and Indian Key Channel.

On motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for competitive bids and objections, starting with base bid offered by Mr. Schulman.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 493-51-253.12. Howard A. Burkland, abutting upland owner represented by Sam Y. Allgood, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for purchase of 46.1 acres of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 31, Township 25 South, Range 16 East, and in Section 36, Township 25 South, Range 15 East, within the bulkhead line approved by the Trustees June 23, 1959.

Motion was made and adopted that the parcel be advertised for objections only, based on offer of the appraised price by Mr. Burkland.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

BREVARD COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of bulkhead lines established by the City Commission of Melbourne, Florida, by Ordinance No. 59-13 dated August 11, 1959, said line being offshore from the West shore of the Indian River between the extension of Strawbridge Avenue and the North City Limits of Melbourne, and offshore from the north shore of Crane Creek between Holmes Park and State Road No. 5 in Melbourne.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the City Commission of Melbourne on August 11, as recommended by the Director.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Bulkhead line approved this date - see above.

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#### LEASES

MARTIN, OKEECHOBEE, AND PALM BEACH COUNTIES: Julian Ross, on behalf of E. C. Goolsby, applied for 5-year grazing lease covering 228.61 acres of marsh and grass land lying between Lake Okeechobee and Conners Highway, all lakeward of the Hancock Meander and 17-foot contour, in Section 36, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, and Section 1, Township 39 South, Range 36 East.

The Director recommended lease to contain clause exempting Trustees from liability for claims or damage resulting from rise in lake level, subject to requirement of written consent from owners of abutting property easterly of the tract.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve lease, recommendations of the Director to be included in the transaction.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: On February 17, 1959, the Trustees confirmed their preliminary approval of August 5, 1958 for the 3,004 acres, more or less, currently under Lease No. 728 to Richlands, Inc., expiring June 30, 1960, to be appraised and offered for sealed competitive bids for a 15-year lease.

The Director advised the Board that Mr. Mayo suggested that competitive oral bidding on the lease be allowed from the floor, and that lease include clause for renewal upon renegotiation of the rental rate; and he explained that it had been necessary for the staff to clear up the record as to easements and other matters affecting the title, prepare a map and traverse calculations to determine correct area, and forms for offering for bids. A proposal had been made to purchase the tract, appraised in 1959 at \$1,020,000.00 with a rental indicated by the appraiser of at least \$14.90 per acre per year. Also, many parties had indicated interest in bidding on lease. Mr. Ferguson recommended that the tract be offered for lease, as the Trustees could reasonably expect to receive more than the million dollar appraised value from rentals in less than 30 years, and he recommended that the suggestions of Mr. Mayo be followed.

Mr. Mayo described the tract, leased about 25 years ago by Richlands, Inc., and reclaimed from the natural state by a drainage system at great expense, lease having been renewed three times at approximately \$3.86 per acre per year. He stated that he was not in favor of selling; that in view of the investment made by the lessee he felt they might be entitled to renewal of the lease but on an increased rental consideration, if a price could be agreed upon; and he stated that the parties on record desiring to bid on a competitive lease were not speculators but bona fide agricultural producers.

Mr. Larson said the Trustees should negotiate a new lease and not sell the land, and Mr. Green suggested the lessees should be protected in some way if competitive bids were called for.

Mr. Ervin felt that it was unfair to approach the matter on a hard business basis of the appraised price, as the lessee had actually reclaimed the tract, taking risks involved and investing in improvements and rentals over the years, and he thought it better to negotiate lease renewal without competitive bids, or get the land on the tax roll by selling at competitive bids but giving Richlands some credit allowance for improvements.

The Trustees agreed that some credit should be allowed to the present lessee, and greater rental should be required in any new lease, but differences of opinion were expressed as to whether the area should be sold or leased, or whether competitive bidding should be called for.

Richlands, Inc., represented by W. G. Hull, W. P. Simmons and John Moriarty, attorney, presented request for private negotiation of lease or purchase based on interest-equity. Mr. Moriarty said that he thought competitive bidding was not necessary, as the Board could set a fair price and negotiate a renewal of the lease as in the past. Mr. Hull would agree to competitive bidding, but proposed some protection such as an amount of credit based on improvements on the land, and proposed reimbursement of this amount by another successful bidder.

Governor Collins commented that lessee had not paid taxes on the land, some of which had been sublet. He felt that determination should be made of the value of improvements classed as removable, and suggested that Richlands be asked to make an offer, and if not considered reasonable by the Trustees, sealed competitive proposals for leasing the property could be called for. He pointed out that the tract might be needed for the Belle Glade Prison Farm in the future.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin that the present lessee be asked to submit offer on three bases; (1) five-year extension of the current lease with new rental consideration; (2) new 15-year lease - negotiated, or on competitive bids with credit allowance for improvements; and (3) competitive sale of the land with credit allowance for improvements. Mr. Hull to submit to the Trustees estimated value of improvements which lessee would be entitled to remove. Upon vote, the motion was adopted, with Mr. Mayo voting "No" on number (3) as he did not favor sale of the tract. The Trustees asked Mr. Hull to present his offer within two weeks.



### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: On September 8 the Trustees deferred action on a request by The Forty-five Twenty-five Corporation of Miami Beach for permit to build a sundeck-pier offshore from the Eden Roc Hotel.

Carl T. Hoffman, attorney for the corporation, asked that the Trustees remove the request from the agenda indefinitely until he could explore other phases, and new application would be made at a later date.

Melvin J. Richard of Miami Beach, who was present to protest the applicant's plan, was advised that he would be notified of any future application.

On motion by Governor Collins, unanimously approved, the Trustees directed that the matter be withdrawn without prejudice.

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DADE COUNTY: Mr. Ervin brought up for discussion the matter of bulkhead lines in Dade County submitted to the Trustees' Office but not placed on the agenda for Trustees' approval.

Mr. Ferguson explained that for some areas in lower Biscayne Bay, the staff had not been able to approve the lines, and the Coastal Engineering Laboratory had advised against some of the lines.

The Trustees stated that while Dr. Bruun's staff was recognized as expert in coastal engineering matters, the county should not be required to employ the Laboratory when engineers of similar competence had already prepared the bulkhead lines recommended by the county for approval by the Trustees.

The matter was deferred until a later date, and Mr. Ferguson was instructed to arrange a time when representatives from Dade County and from the Laboratory could be present.

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HAMILTON COUNTY: Stephen Foster Memorial Commission, represented by J. A. Cawthon, Chairman, requested 6-year loan of \$48,000.00 with which to purchase the concessions, inventory and capital assets (carried at \$19,053.62) of the Stephen Foster Memorial Association, Inc., which was organized to raise by public donations \$125,000.00 to match a state appropriation of \$375,000.00 for construction of the Carillon Tower, and being unable to raise the entire amount by donations, borrowed \$85,000.00 at 4% interest. During the past 4½ years the Association repaid \$37,000.00 plus 4%, leaving a present balance of \$48,000.00.

Mr. Cawthon explained that with this loan from the Trustees, the Association would go out of existence, and the Commission would repay the Trustees out of receipts from the concessions.

Hamilton County Representative J. W. McAlpin and a delegation were also present in the interest of securing the loan for the Stephen Foster Memorial Commission.

Attorney General Ervin stated that the Trustees were authorized to make this kind of investment in a project of internal improvement, and he asked for certain additional information as to how the Commission would repay the loan.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve loan as of October 1, 1959, in the amount of \$48,000.00 to Stephen Foster Memorial Commission, subject to an annual budget being submitted to the Board for approval, the loan to be repaid on basis of \$8,000.00 per year plus four percent (4%) interest, and subject to state audit and annual state audit.

LEE COUNTY: Rader & Associates, on behalf of Gulf Guaranty Land & Title Co., of Fort Myers, requested an additional 33,000 cubic yards of fill material under Permit No. 1183, to be used in further improvement of the Cape Coral development on the Caloosahatchee River.

The Director recommended that the additional amount of material be approved under permit No. 1183 following the standard charges, for a total cost of \$630.00 (30,000 cu. yds. at rate of 2¢ per cu. yd.; 3,000 cu. yds. at rate of 1¢ per cu. yd.).

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees accept the recommendation of the Director.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Glenn L. Berry, on behalf of Arvida Realty Co., requested approval of fill permit approved September 10, 1959 by the City of Sarasota, for the development of the Bird Key area in Sarasota Bay within a bulkhead line established by the city in Ordinance No. 763 dated December 1, 1952.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the fill permit issued by the City of Sarasota to Arvida Realty Company.

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DUMPING AUTOMOBILES IN COASTAL WATERS: Governor Collins asked about the proposal, recently brought to his attention at a meeting of individuals and agencies interested in wild life, of dumping junk automobiles in the water to create artificial reefs which seem to encourage propagation of fish and provide havens for bait fish.

Director Ernest Mitts, of the Florida State Board of Conservation, was present with John Rybovich, who requested permission to carry out a dumping project in the Atlantic Ocean near Palm Beach. In answer to questions from the Board, Mr. Mitts and Mr. Rybovich explained the method of dumping cars, chained together, in water deep enough to prevent washing up on shore.

Mr. Ferguson felt that the matter of regulation should be considered, and stated that the Corps of Engineers could advise only insofar as navigation was concerned.

Governor Collins directed Mr. Mitts to refer the question to the Attorney General for an opinion as to the legality of the dumping, and asked Mr. Mitts to prepare suitable regulations and restrictions for consideration by the Trustees at the next meeting.

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GOVERNOR'S MANSION PARK: Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that the Expediter be instructed to issue notices to all occupants of properties acquired for the Park to vacate premises before November 1, 1959, none of the purchases having been made subject to occupation beyond October 1, 1959.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 731 listing 1 bid for Murphy Act land; also Dade County Deed No. 1619-Corrective to Phoenix Farms, Inc., to show more complete description of land conveyed in original Deed No. 1619 dated December 9, 1941.

ALACHUA COUNTY: Val W. Givens and wife offered \$100.00 for conveyance under Chapter 28317, the "Hardship Act", of Lot 21 less the West 50 feet thereof, Colclough Subd., Plat Book "A", page 20, in Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 20 East, City of Gainesville. The file showed that applicant acquired land in 1941, was not former owner or heir of former owner, and the Director recommended conveyance for \$200.00.

Mr. Ervin reported information he had received on the case, and recommended that the applicant's offer be accepted for the parcel.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that conveyance under Chapter 28317 be made to Mr. Givens and wife as requested, for \$100.00.

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HAMILTON COUNTY: The City of Jasper, former owner on June 9, 1939, offered \$35.00 for conveyance under Chapter 21684 of 1943 of land described as Block 11, Old Town Survey, Town of Jasper.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve conveyance without advertisement or public sale, under said chapter, for the amount offered by the city.

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LIBERTY COUNTY: Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees approve two easements requested by the State Road Department for public road purposes, covering the following lands:

1.09 acres, more or less, of following described land:  
Commence at NW cor. of Sec. 6-1S-7W, and run South 174 yds. to begin; E 70 yds., S 56 2/3 yds., E 480 yds., S 466 yds., th W 506 yds., to public road, th N 48 yds., W 44 yds., th N to begin, in Sec. 6, Township 1 South, Range 7 West. State Road S-67-A, Sec. 56601-2601; AND

1625 square feet, more or less, of Lot 1, Block 2 of Resurvey of Weaver's Addn., Plat Book "A", page 8, lying easterly of and within 33 ft. of survey line of Leg "A" of State Road S-67-A, Section 56601.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On December 2, 1948, Pinellas County Murphy Act Deed No. 4359 was issued to C. E. Koch conveying, among other lands, Lots 33, 36 and 41 in Tampa & Tarpon Springs Land Company's Subdivision in Section 14, Township 27 South, Range 15 East, based on tax sale certificates No. 655 of 1931, No. 647 of 1932, and No. 20604 of 1933.

Investigation was made by the Attorney General and the Director, and the following resolution was prepared to explain the case:

#### RESOLUTION

"WHEREAS, it appears that the City of Tarpon Springs purchased certain lands in 1926 in Lots or Tracts 33, 36 and 41 (8.075 acres) of Tampa & Tarpon Springs Land Company Subdivision in Section 14, Township 27 South, Range 15 East, said lands having continuously been used for public and municipal purposes, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the tax assessor erroneously failed to exempt said lands from taxation under the provisions of Article IX, Section 1, Article XVI, Section 16, Constitution of the State of Florida, and Section 192.06 (2), Florida Statutes, and



WHEREAS, said property became subject to delinquent tax liens and delinquent tax certificates, and a Murphy Act Deed No. 4359, dated December 2, 1948, issued to C. E. Koch, which conveyed, with other lands, the portions of said Lots or Tracts 33, 36 and 41 which the city had acquired in 1926 and has owned and used continuously thereafter; and

WHEREAS, it appears that said lands were not initially subject to taxation and said tax certificates and Murphy Act Deed were therefore invalidly issued,

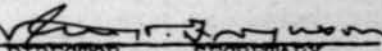
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the title of C. E. Koch under Murphy Act Deed No. 4359, dated December 2, 1948, has failed, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that C. E. Koch, the original grantee of the Murphy Act deed, be refunded the prorata amount paid the State of Florida, by and through the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, at the time of said purchase for the portion of said Lots or Tracts 33, 36 and 41 which were city-owned since the year 1926, being 8.075 acres, more or less."

Upon motion of Comptroller Green, unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved the resolution and authorized refund to the purchaser under the Murphy Act, based on failure of title.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 22, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

The Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meetings of September 1 and 8, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

File No. 470-44-253.12.  
MONROE COUNTY: Competitive bids. On August 4 Bruce Vining offered \$150.00 per acre as base bid for competitive bidding, and Trustees authorized advertisement of mangrove flat and abutting submerged land areas, comprising 200 acres, more or less, at Division Point in Barnes Sound, in unsurveyed Sections 9, 10 and 15, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, lying northeasterly of and beyond 500 feet as measured at right angles from the centerline of U. S. Highway No. 1 but including two or more access strips for causeway and/or bridge connection to highway, the location and

specifications of which would be subject to approval by the State Road Department and the U. S. Engineers, and also subject to the provision that no filling should be done until development plans were formally approved by the Trustees.

The parcel was advertised for objections and competitive bids in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Trustees examined the map, and the Director advised that he had contacted both the State Park Board and the State Road Department, which filed no objections to sale of the mangrove area.

Competitive bidding resulted in high bid of \$255.00 per acre from Mr. Vining for client.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the high bid of \$255.00 per acre and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Vining's client, subject to provisions stated in the legal notice as to approval of access strips by State Road Department and U. S. Engineers, that development plan should be approved by Trustees before filling, and that purchaser should furnish survey and legal description.

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DADE COUNTY: Reconfirmation. File No. 356-13-253.12. On June 23 the Trustees confirmed sale to Antonio Arias of 0.64 of an acre of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 28, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, adjacent to applicant's upland ownership in City of Miami. Subsequently, the parcel was readvertised in the Miami Herald to correct an error in the description (which erroneously showed Section 29), proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and the Director recommended reconfirmation of sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve reconfirmation of sale of the parcel applied for by Mr. Arias.

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MONROE COUNTY: Reconfirmation. File No. 414-44-253.12. On July 14 the Trustees confirmed sale to Cecil O. Keith and wife of 0.9 of an acre of submerged land in Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to part of Government Lot 4 in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, adjacent to applicant's upland ownership. Subsequently, the parcel was readvertised in the Key West Citizen to correct an error in the description (which erroneously showed the description commencing at intersection of west line of Government Lot 4 rather than east line), proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and the Director recommended reconfirmation of sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve reconfirmation of sale of the parcel applied for by Mr. Keith and wife.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 246-43-253.12. On July 21 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application by George C. Staples, abutting upland owner represented by Charles B. McAdam, who offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for two (2) parcels of submerged land adjacent to the westerly shore of the Indian River in Sections 22 and 23, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, Jensen Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in The Stuart News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Jack Best protested the sale on the grounds that in the interest of conservation the river should be kept in its natural state. The Director recommended that objection be overruled, and on the map it was pointed out that the river was about 2 miles wide at the location, and filling was in progress nearby on lands previously sold.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objection and confirmed sale to Mr. Staples at the appraised price offered.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 111-14-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Alex Popp, the abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Sections 12 and 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, Monroe County, containing 1.15 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Mr. Popp at the price offered.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 198-44-253.12. On July 28 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Everett Kinsman and wife, abutting upland owners, for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Mr. Kinsman and wife at the appraised price.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 291-44-253.12. On July 28 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Elbert S. Brink and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, for a tract of bay bottom land in Section 5, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, and Section 30, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, in the Bay of Florida, north of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 1 of said Section 5, at Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.9 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were presented.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Mr. Brink and wife at the appraised price.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 320-44-253.12. On July 28 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application by Ella A. Morris, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, who offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a tract of sovereignty land in Blackwater Sound in Section 36, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 137 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Thomas J. Porst filed objection conditioned on any filling being done that would close the canal along U. S. Highway No. 1 from Blackwater Sound into Lake Surprise. The canal, being in the State Road Department right of way, was not included in the proposed sale, and the Road Department filed no objections. An objection was also filed by Harry Gilbert on the grounds that filling operations might damage fishing in the area by causing muddy waters.

Jesse Warren was present on behalf of Mrs. Ruth T. Sweeting, who also objected to any development that would close the canal along U. S. Highway No. 1.



The Trustees, upon examination of the map submitted, expressed the feeling that the acreage applied for was too large in relation to the upland ownership, that in view of the increased sales in Monroe County the price offered for this and other sales in the county might not be sufficient, and that development was not always good, scenic and esthetic beauty meriting first consideration.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, and adopted, that sale be denied for the reasons stated.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 401-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Raymond Navarro, Sr., abutting upland owner represented by C. G. Bailey, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 2.0 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

John O. Phillips filed protest to the sale on the ground that sale included bay bottom south of Oceanview Drive boulevard, but the Director explained that the boulevard did not exist except on the old subdivision plat, having completely eroded away, and that erosion in the area had encroached on many lots, making a new shoreline picture, and even threatened the highway right of way. The area was examined on the map submitted, and the Director recommended the proposed sale, which conformed to an orderly line planned to take into consideration sales previously made.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, and adopted, that sale be deferred for checking with the Attorney General as to the status of the dedicated, but non-existent, boulevard.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 448-44-253.12. On July 21 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Pacific Communications, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.70 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to the applicant at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 452-44-253.12. On July 28 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Anthony L. Ulchar, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel, in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, lying easterly of and abutting Lot 11 of Barry Beach Subdivision, on Little Torch Key, containing 0.24 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

B. C. Richardson and F. N. Keen filed protest to the sale on the grounds that any filled extension might cause debris in the waters outward from their Lot 9. Upon examination of the map, it was noted that sales had previously been made of submerged parcels outward from other lots in the area, and that the applicant had been held back to Only 300 feet extension. The Director was instructed to write to the objectors and explain the situation.

Motion was made and adopted that objections be overruled and sale be confirmed to Mr. Ulchar at the appraised price.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 454-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 from Hoag-Marathon Corporation, abutting upland owner represented by Alan Schmitt, for a tract of bay bottom land in Bonefish Bay, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, at Crawl Key No. 1, containing 2.3 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

George E. Lane, on behalf of Brown Brothers Contractors, Inc., owners of Yacht Harbour Island and Eberharter Subdivision, protested that sale would depreciate the value of their lots. In 1958, agreement was reached between the Trustees' office and Brown Brothers in regard to three sales, which were consummated, and the Director stated that the protest was inconsistent with agreement reached at that time as to bulkhead line for the area and inconsistent with objector's position on the preceding sales. It was recommended that objection be overruled in this case.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mayo, and adopted, that the Trustees overrule objection and confirm sale in favor of Hoag-Marathon Corporation, at the appraised price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 456-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered application by Ocean Express, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a tract of submerged land in Niles Channel in Sections 13 and 14, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, lying southerly, easterly and northerly of Government Lot 1 in said Section 14, containing 17.3 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale in favor of applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 457-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered application by Clara May Downey, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 32, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.61 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant at the appraised price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 458-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered application from George L. Stapleton, Jr., and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 64 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.81 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant, at the appraised price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 459-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered application from Marian V. Tiedt, abutting upland owner

represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 460-44-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered application from Alvin H. VanPelt, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, with offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant, at the appraised price offered,

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 348-50-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application from Edgewater Realty Company, abutting upland owner represented by C. Robert Burns, who offered \$1,826.95, the appraised price for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, lying easterly of and abutting the South 100 feet of the North 475 feet of Government Lot 2 of said Section 27 lying East of right of way of Olive Avenue, less the West 320 feet thereof, containing 0.61 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Edgewater Realty Company at the appraised price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 424-50-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon application from Bruce Marchand, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, who offered the appraised price of \$3,500.00 per acre for a tract of sovereign land in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.196 of an acre, more or less, in Boca Batones Lagoon. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. Marchand, at the appraised price offered.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 449-56-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre from Florida Land Improvement & Development Co., Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Alton A. Register & Assoc., for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River, in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, containing 0.03 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Pierce News-Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.



Motion was made and adopted that Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised to the applicant, for the minimum deed amount of \$100.00.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 450-56-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre from O. G. Simonsen and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Alton A. Register & Assoc., for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, containing 0.10 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Pierce News-Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Simonsen and wife, at the price offered.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: File No. 451-56-253.12. On August 4 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,500.00 per acre from Charles Lowe and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Alton A. Register & Associates, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, City of Fort Pierce, containing 0.07 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Pierce News-Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were presented.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised in favor of Mr. Lowe and wife, at the appraised price offered.

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#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 497-44-253.12. George W. R. Andrade offered \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida, southerly of Ellison Island and adjacent to submerged land held by applicant under Contract No. 21127.

Motion was made and adopted that consideration of the application be deferred until the next meeting.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Frank Hart applied for permission to dredge 100 cubic yards of fill material from Lake June-in-Winter from the area within the riparian limits of applicant's upland, to use for improving his upland property described as the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 8 of June-in-Winter Subdivision, at Lake Placid, Florida.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of permit at the usual charge of \$75.00, plus \$5.00 for the material.

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MANATEE COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permit to the Town of Longboat Key to allow installation of seven (?) groins near the northerly tip of the island, in accordance with report and recommendation by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and that surety bond be waived for the municipality.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of groin permit to the Town of Longboat Key as recommended, for the \$10.00 handling charge.

SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permit to Mrs. O. Lister Carlisle for extension of the southwesterly groin of an existing two-groin system in Big Sarasota Bay in front of Lots 15, 16 and 17 between Sandy Hook Road and the Bay, at Siesta Key, in accordance with report based on inspection and study of applicant's plan by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and bond of \$300.00 was recommended.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of permit for the coastal structure as recommended for the charge of \$10.00, and that the bond of \$300.00 be required.

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ORANGE COUNTY: Request for quitclaim deed was made by Hope Strong, on behalf of Mrs. Nancy Hull Keiser, record owner of Lots 1 to 8, 11 and 12 of Keiser's Replat of Sicilian Shores, in Sections 31 and 32, Township 21 South, Range 20 East.

The Director explained that a portion of the lots appeared to have been filled on low and/or submerged land in the margin of Lake Maitland, an unmeandered lake. The acreage in which the lots were situate was patented by the United States to the State of Florida November 13, 1856 and conveyed by the Trustees in Deed No. 6606 dated January 8, 1874 to predecessor in title to Mrs. Keiser. Information filed in the Trustees' office showed that low areas were filled in 1925 and 1926, and that all taxes were paid and record title was in the applicant.

Inasmuch as Lake Maitland was recently held in a Circuit Court case to be navigable in fact, and the filling was completed in 1926, the Director recommended disclaimer as to that portion of the lots landward of the 66-foot contour, mean sea level, fixed by decree in proceeding of John E. Crews, et al vs. Elmer V. Adams, et al, April 16, 1959, Chancery No. 32832, Circuit Court, Orange County.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of disclaimer in favor of Mrs. Keiser, as recommended by the Director, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On behalf of Queen Roberts Brown, daughter of grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 17372 dated November 14, 1925, Casler and Douglas requested a deed to correct the subdivision name and the recordation data in description in the original deed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of corrective deed as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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SEMINOLE COUNTY: Leo W. Haley requested corrective deed covering NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 10, Township 21 South, Range 31 East, which was originally Internal Improvement land granted by Act of Congress to the State and conveyed by Trustees' Deed No. 4943 dated December 3, 1867, to George C. Powell. As copy of this old deed cannot be found in the Land Office, it is not possible to determine whether Deed No. 4943 was erroneously issued or erroneously recorded as being in Range 30, but Land Office records show that the land actually conveyed was in Range 31.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer, accompanied by a certificate evidencing sale of the land and conveyance to Powell, for the usual handling and certificate charges.

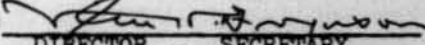
TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Equipment. Without objection, the Trustees approved expenditure of approximately \$345.00 for purchase of one BCD Rex-Rotary mimeograph for use in Trustees' office, and Governor Collins suggested that Mr. Ferguson refer the matter to the Purchasing Division.

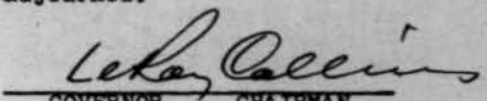
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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 732 listing 2 bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of Hillsborough County Deed Nos. 112-Duplicate and 113-Duplicate to S. T. Thompson, the grantee in original deeds dated July 1, 1940 which were reported lost without having been placed of record.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
September 29, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

The Trustees approved minutes of the meetings of September 15 and 22, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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LAND SALE

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 272-41-253.12. On November 25, 1958, the Trustees referred to the Attorney General for study and report the application from George T. Curry and Arthur B. Sachs as Trustee, represented by Peterson, Meyers & Associates, for purchase of a parcel of sovereignty land and spoil area in Sarasota Bay in Sections 23 and 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, within the bulkhead line of the Town of Longboat Key. Opinion of the Attorney General, 059-1 dated January 5, 1959, found that a bulkhead line so fixed that one owner, thereby prevented from filling adjacent to his upland, did not preclude purchase by an adjoining upland owner of the portion of the spoil bank in front of his land and for which the bulkhead line would accommodate the sale, also that a long-used artificial channel would limit riparian rights. Mr. Ervin explained that applicants desired to "jump" an artificial channel and purchase as riparian rights the spoil bank on the other side.



Harry Macksey and Thomas Macksey, purchasers from Mr. Curry, and Mr. Sachs had entered into formal, recorded agreement with E. W. Carlson and wife, objectors to the sale in November, whereby applicants agreed to conditions in the development under which, if the covenants in the agreement were incorporated in the deed, objections were withdrawn.

In view of the Attorney General's opinion and the withdrawal of objections, the Director recommended that sale of 16.5 acres be confirmed to applicants. He pointed out that the lagoon shown on the map was navigable only at the northern end, and for the most part was only one to one-and-a-half feet deep.

Governor Collins recommended denial of the application, as there was not a clear-cut association between the spoil bank and the applicant's upland property across the lagoon, and suggested that the upper part of the spoil area should be sold at competitive sale.

Motion was made and adopted that the present application be denied without prejudice, and that the Director work with the applicant to prepare reduced application for a small parcel of the spoil bank adjacent to his upland property.

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#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LAND

**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 497-44-253.12. On July 14, 1959 the Trustees gave preliminary approval for George W. R. Andrade to present an application for submerged land in Matecumbe Harbor, Bay of Florida, and lease of a strip for access to the Overseas Highway.

Application was presented on this date from Mr. Andrade, with offer of \$100.00 per acre for 39.0 acres, more or less, of submerged land southerly of Ellison Island adjacent to submerged land under Contract No. 21127 to applicant, bounded southerly by the Overseas Highway, including shoal areas, separated by channel from the highway fill, with access to the highway requested by easement.

The Director recommended that the proposed purchase be cut back to within 400 feet of centerline of existing highway, and that, in the event sale was made, that easement be granted for access to highway by causeway and/or bridge in accordance with requirements and approval of the State Road Department and the U. S. District Engineer.

Motion was made by Governor Collins, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only provided the applicant increased his offer to \$200.00 per acre for a reduced area not nearer than 500 feet from the highway centerline.

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#### LEASES

**GLADES COUNTY:** Charles J. Husak, owner of a lot 80 by 105 feet in Section 23, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, applied to lease for beautification purposes an exposed, triangular parcel approximately 80 by 142 feet, accessible only from his adjacent lot and by boat.

The Director advised that the parcel, extending lakeward from the 17-foot contour of Lake Okeechobee, was not subject to sale, and he recommended 5-year lease at \$15.00 per year with clauses providing for termination on 90-days notice if needed for a public purpose, and that the Trustees would not be liable for any claims or damages arising out of change in the lake level.

Upon motion by Treasurer Laeson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** On September 15, 1959, H. G. Hull for Richlands, Inc., holder of Lease No. 728 expiring June 30, 1960, proposed purchase of the 3,004 acre tract, or extension of lease, or new lease, with credit allowance for work done during the past 24 years. The Director urged that no sale be made of the unique tract, appraised at \$1,020,000.00, and indicated prospect of rentals in excess of the appraised value under a 15-year lease with renewal on renegotiation of rental rate at the end of 15-year term. It was pointed out that the appraisal covered only two buildings on the tract indicated to have become part of the realty subject to new lease. Mr. Ferguson had prepared a prospectus for lease on a competitive basis which conformed closely to the authorization of offering made February 17, 1959.

Manning I. Keen, one of the parties interested in new lease, advised that land adjacent to Richlands tract was sold for \$1,300.00 per acre, other lands in the vicinity at \$700.00 to \$1,000.00 per acre, and that rentals received by the Trustees were less than taxes paid by others on their lands.

Mr. Hull made offer on three bases: (1) for short-term renewal, \$7.00 per acre for 5-year extension of current lease; (2) for long-term renewal, \$8.00 per acre for 15-year extension; (3) for purchase, \$600,000.00 payable \$15,000.00 upon closure, with balance in semi-annual payments without interest.

Mr. Mayo and Mr. Larson stated that the tract should not be sold, and it was the general feeling of the Trustees that Mr. Hull's offers were insufficient, on any basis; that before offering for competitive bids for lease, the term "removable" in the lease should be clarified; that the lessee was not regarded as having any legal equity beyond the items determined to be removable. Mr. Ferguson and Mr. McLane were directed to confer with Mr. Hull on the tract, to come to legal and agreed-upon interpretation of what improvements were removable, and Mr. Hull's estimate of the monetary value of these items.

Edgar Wilder, Leonard Dobra, and Robert D. Apelgren were present as prospective bidders for lease. Mr. Apelgren advised the Trustees regarding usual lease conditions and present prices for Everglades lands, and asked for opportunity to negotiate on equal terms for lease of the tract.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the matter be postponed for six months, during which time the term removable would be clarified, the appraisal to remain at the Bank of Pahokee available for examination by those interested in bidding for lease of the tract at the expiration of the lease held by Richlands, Inc.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

**LEE COUNTY:** The Director recommended issuance of state permit to Mrs. Helen Hooper Brown for installation of a system of seven (7) groins at her property on the Gulf of Mexico in Section 36, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Sanibel Island, in accordance with report and recommendations by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and recommended surety bond in the sum of \$2,000.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit as recommended by the Director.

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: G. E. Bryant, Jr., on behalf of J. H. Parker, offered \$400.00 for deed under provisions of Section 270.09 without advertisement, to clear his title to the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9, Township 34 South, Range 35 East, 40 acres. Information was that the land, patented to the state, was erroneously assessed for taxes, certificates issued and certified to the state under Chapter 18296, and Murphy Act Deed No. 127 dated July 25, 1944 issued to Mr. Parker.

Mr. Parker submitted proper certificates showing record ownership, payment of all taxes, and occupation and use as pasture under fence of the low area surrounded by his other lands.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of quitclaim deed as requested, for the amount of \$400.00 offered by Mr. Parker.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 306-52-253.12. Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, reported that attorneys representing the City of Dunedin and the Caladesi-Honeymoon Island developer, Curlew Properties, Inc., had presented surety bond in the amount of \$2,000,000.00, guaranteeing completion of the causeway, estimated to cost \$1,800,000.00. The contract entered into by and between the Trustees, the City of Dunedin, Tom B. Slade as Trustee and Curlew Properties, Inc., dated May 19, 1959, recorded in Official Record Book 612 at page 382, et seq., of the Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida, called for approval of the bond by the City of Dunedin and the Trustees, and Mr. McLane recommended approval of the bond as to form and amount.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the surety bond as complying with terms of the said contract.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

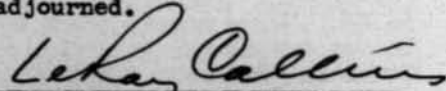
Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 733 listing two corrective deeds approved by the Attorney General's office, (1) County of Jefferson Deed No. 388-Cor. to Ethel Moline to correct description of land conveyed in original deed dated September 30, 1954, and (2) County of Palm Beach Deed No. 1241-Cor. to Leonard Sombret to correct spelling of grantee's name in original deed dated December 5, 1941.

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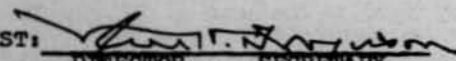
HARDEE COUNTY: Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of easement to State Road Department for public road purposes, covering 0.15 of an acre, more or less, in NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 18, Township 33 South, Range 24 East, in the Town of Fort Green, lying within 40 feet of the centerline of construction, State Road No. S-663, Section 06630-2150.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 6, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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The Trustees approved minutes of the meeting of September 29, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12. Carl A. Norberg, abutting owner, offered \$37.50 per acre for 101.53 acres in Tarpon Bay in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, lying southerly of and adjacent to applicant's Government Lot 2 of Section 13, Government Lots 1 and 2 of Section 14 and Government Lot 2 of Section 23 at Sanibel Island, within the bulkhead line fixed by Lee County. The application, approved for advertisement on June 16, was deferred on July 28 to allow the Board of Conservation to make study and report, since numerous general objections had been received.

The State Board of Conservation made a survey of Tarpon Bay in the waters adjacent to the mangrove point involved in the application, and reported that the bay was one of the most productive fish nursery grounds in the state. Director Ernest Mitts stated that conservation of this area was in the public interest, and that his department was not consulted by Lee County before the bulkhead line was fixed 300 feet offshore.

The Director, Mr. Ferguson, explained that errors in the U. S. Survey made it impracticable to accurately describe the submerged land sold to Mr. Norberg on November 25, 1958, and the current application would add an area within the established bulkhead line and make possible an accurate over-all legal description; otherwise, difficult and expensive surveys would be required. The Trustees examined overlay maps on which parcels of land in the bay were shown to be in different actual locations from where old government surveys placed them. The deed prepared after the November sale was not accepted by Mr. Norberg, and the staff was trying to provide a solution to the problem of correctly describing the land, within the area advertised.

The Trustees felt that the applicant should have a deed with correct description, without conveying additional water bottoms, and a suggestion was approved to run a traverse holding to the mangrove line as the southern boundary, which would make the parcel to be conveyed about 30 acres and include only the mangrove area.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the Governor's suggestion that the Director, Mr. Norberg, Mr. Molane and Mr. Mitts work together to prepare an accurate description of the land sold, making the description in the deed conform to the mangrove line as best possible for protection of the public interest, including the area of mangrove growth on the southern side of the parcel - within the description advertised.

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APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 513-43-253.12. Harry B. Donley, on behalf of Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine, Inc., abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 6.22 acres, within the established bulkhead line at Jensen Beach approved by the Trustees November 4, 1958.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 514-43-253.12. Catholic Burse Endowment Fund, Inc., the abutting upland owner, represented by Harry B. Donley, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for 2 parcels of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 9.69 acres, within the established bulkhead line at Jensen Beach, approved by the Trustees November 4, 1958.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 515-43-253.12. Anton J. Milazzo, abutting upland owner, represented by Harry B. Donley, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00 in this instance, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 0.43 of an acre within the established bulkhead line at Jensen Beach, approved by the Trustees November 4, 1958.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 395-50-253.12. Mr. Larson presented request on behalf of Thos. McE. Johnston, attorney for Arvida Corporation, for advertisement of the firm's application, for objections only. Mr. Ferguson stated the request appeared to concern application made by Brockway, Weber & Brockway Engineers, Inc., but that the application was incomplete since offer of the appraised value had not been made and he felt the offer should be made before advertisement. It was also shown that appraisal had been procured and the applicant advised of the appraised value. Mr. Ervin mentioned request having been made by W. Turner Wallis that advertisement proceed. Mr. Ferguson stated that the record included no communication or application from anyone other than the Brockway firm. In the discussion Messrs. Larson and Ervin related that it was claimed that the land was already in the Arvida ownership and that no part belonged to the Trustees but applicant did not want the delay of having the same decided in advance of the required advertisement period.

On motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, advertisement for objections only was authorized without implied agreement to carry out sale, the details concerning title to be determined by the staff and Attorney General.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 491-44-253.12. F. P. Sadowski, abutting upland owner represented by Albert S. Dubbin, offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, containing 8.5 acres, surrounding Tarpon Belly Keys, in Monroe County.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and the Director advised that the keys owned by the applicant were more than a mile offshore and that the staff felt that a better shaped land mass could be created by an increase in the area to be filled. No information had been furnished by the applicant as to development plans, or when work would begin.

Governor Collins suggested that the area in the application be reduced, particularly with reference to two submerged areas which appeared too large in relation to the small adjacent keys.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the application in its present form not be approved, but that if the applicant reduced the area applied for, advertisement for objections only would be approved.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 510-50-253.12. Paulina A. Ruth, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.944 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "(a)" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.549 of an acre filled prior to the bulkhead act, and made offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of the disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00, and authorize advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed, based on the offer submitted.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line established by the City of Lake Worth by Ordinance No. 59-18 dated August 3, 1959, along the west shore of Lake Worth.

The Trustees examined the bulkhead map submitted by the city, and noted that the adopted line made a more regular shore line with allowance for some reasonable extensions.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the City of Lake Worth for all sovereign tidal waters within the corporate limits of the city.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County by Resolution dated July 16, 1959 locating and fixing bulkhead line in the Halifax River from the south city limits of Port Orange through Harbor Oaks.

The line, with slight exception, was not offshore, about half of its length conforming to a street adjacent to the waterfront of the west shore of the Halifax River, the remainder conforming to the shore line of a spur of land which appeared on the 1951 U. S. Coast & Geodetic Chart. It appeared that the line was designed to prevent extensions which would obstruct view of the river from the street along the waterfront.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, as recommended by the Director.



### LEASES; PERMITS

COLLIER COUNTY: Humble Oil & Refining Company requested the Trustees to advertise for sale an oil and gas lease covering the reserved interest of the Trustees in oil and minerals in the following lands:

<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>SECTION</u>	
48 South	29 East	31	S $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 440.00 acres.
48 South	29 East	32	S $\frac{1}{2}$ of S $\frac{1}{2}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 240.00 acres.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that oil lease notice form be modified to clearly show that the bidding should be for the cash consideration including the first year's rental.

Motion was made and adopted that oil lease notice forms be modified as recommended, and the Trustees authorized advertisement for oil and gas lease of the Collier County land as requested by Humble Oil & Refining Company.

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ESCAMBIA, SANTA ROSA, OKALOOSA, WALTON, BAY and GULF COUNTIES: On May 5, 1959, the Trustees granted to Commonwealth Oil Company an extension of commencement time for well under State Oil & Gas Lease No. 833 pending decision on a request for suspension of drilling obligations on lease areas involved in the Tidelands litigation.

Reference was made to that agreement approved by the Trustees on August 4, 1959 allowing abatement of drilling requirements, without discontinuing rental payments, until ninety days after the U. S. Supreme Court decision on the Tidelands litigation between State of Florida and the United States.

J. L. McCord was present on this date, and applied for the same relief for Commonwealth Oil Company's Lease No. 833 that the Trustees had granted to Gulf Oil Corporation. He stated that the time limit of ninety days after Supreme Court decision, however, would not actually take care of the period when drilling would be curtailed, as the tidelands question might go back to the U. S. Congress or be delayed by further litigation. The Trustees did not feel that they could go further than the provision in the agreement of August 4.

Motion was made by Treasurer Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees grant to Commonwealth Oil Company the same suspension of drilling obligations granted to other holders of state oil and gas leases, as provided for in the Agreement of August 4, 1959.

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MONROE COUNTY: August Kowalski applied for 5-year lease of a parcel 50 by 250 feet adjacent to the offshore approach to former Card Sound Bridge, 1,781 feet westerly of old bridge abutment. The Director recommended lease with reservation of right of Trustees to cancel on 120 days written notice, and with provision that lessee be allowed to remove a house on piling which he had purchased.

It was noted on the map that the area applied for lay between two larger areas under leases expiring next year. The Trustees directed that at the expiration of these two lease terms, the rental should be increased.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mayo, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, that 5-year lease of the parcel applied for be authorized in favor of Mr. Kowalski, at \$100.00 per year.

FRANKLIN - WAKULLA COUNTIES: Application was made by Fenton Jones to dredge 4,000 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of the Ocklockonee Bay in Section 1, Township 6 South, Range 2 West, Franklin County, from an area within the riparian limits of his upland property lying immediately west of and abutting Lot 24 White Beach Subdivision, Wakulla County public records.

The Director recommended issuance of permit for the consideration of \$10.00 plus 5¢ per cubic yard, or total charge of \$210.00.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve permit in favor of Mr. Jones as recommended by the Director.

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BAY COUNTY: File No. 398-03-253.124. Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved fill permit granted by the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County by Resolution dated March 16, 1959, for filling a parcel of submerged land sold on July 28, 1959 by the Trustees to B. E. Tillman, within the bulkhead line approved by the Trustees on May 19, 1959.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

POLICY: Re: Material from submerged bottoms for filling submerged land purchased from Trustees.

The Director recommended that the minutes reaffirm the Trustees' policy of allowing the owner of sovereignty land purchased from the state to obtain fill material from navigable waters to fill the sovereignty area, the material to be taken from a zone approved by the Trustees' staff where dredging would not adversely affect public rights or infringe upon private property or rights.

The need for restatement of this policy was brought up by Robert M. Sturup of Miami, for a client in Monroe County involved in a suit to reclaim damages from a party who it was reported had dredged material from an area not properly riparian to his upland. Attorney General Ervin stated that it would not be advisable to issue a disclaimer as requested by Mr. Sturup, but that a recordable resolution had been prepared by his office for approval by the Trustees. With an amendment suggested by the Governor, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund have heretofore, that is to say on February 1, 1927, appearing in Volume 17, page 21 of the Official Minutes of said Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, adopted the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED That where submerged lands are sold by the Trustees, the sale will carry permission and the right to the purchaser to dredge from adjoining submerged lands not over three feet in depth at high tide, or those lands which do not come under the law which authorizes said Trustees to sell.

"Seconded by Mr. Mayo, and upon vote adopted."

and

WHEREAS, it has long been the policy of said Trustees to permit the purchaser of submerged land to take fill material from the bottom lands in the zone riparian to his upland situate between his submerged parcel and the channel, if any, or in the event no navigable channel actually exists, to take such fill material to the center

of the harbor of the body of water provided such taking of material does not interfere with the rights of other persons therein, and

WHEREAS, it appears necessary to set forth the policy now in effect to be used as a guide in the sale of submerged lands, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida:

That the policy of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund is that purchasers of submerged lands be permitted and thereby have the right to take fill material for the reasonable improvement thereof from the zone riparian to each ownership of upland normally situate between the upland and the channel, if any, or if no navigable channel exists then to the center-line of the harbor of the body of water without cost, provided, however, that such taking of material is not in conflict with the public interest and does not and will not interfere with the rights of any person, firm or corporation in and to said waters or water bottoms and that a fill permit be first approved by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund. The limitation of a depth of three feet at high tide in the foregoing resolution adopted in 1927 has not been observed during the past eight or more years, the only restrictions being that the taking of material shall not interfere with the rights of others and that a fill permit be first approved by said Trustees in each case.

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TRUSTEES AS STATE EROSION AGENCY: Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957, designating the Trustees as the State Erosion Agency, authorized the making of studies and expenditures of surplus funds on matching-basis projects, not to exceed \$300,000.00 total. The Trustees' activity in the field of erosion work has consisted mainly of licensing, including regulation of groins and other coastal structures in accordance with reports and recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida. Contributions to the Laboratory during 1957-1959 totaled \$29,000.00, of which \$24,000.00 was for equipment and \$5,000.00 for work on State Park erosion problems. The Trustees paid per diem and travel of laboratory staff on work ordered by the Trustees, and in addition, the Trustees authorized one study of a particular area, the cost of the study borne by the Trustees.

The University of Florida Engineering & Industrial Experiment Station submitted a proposed contract for engineering services to be performed on request of Trustees for remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1960 in the total sum of \$10,000.00, including (a) review and reports on public notices, (b) non-reimbursable work involving coastal structures and bulkhead law matters, including travel, (c) trips to and from meetings in Tallahassee, (d) extra secretarial assistance, (e) drafting and photographs, and (f) contingencies.

Surplus funds were not available for matching to finance projects on a state-wide basis; however, the act cited delegated to the Trustees authority to do work in the field in which the laboratory works, and duplication of staff and facilities by the Trustees to carry out such activities would not be practicable nor justified. Mr. Ferguson suggested that the proposed contract be referred to the Attorney General for recommendation, as it appeared to be the only satisfactory basis under which the Trustees might effectively expand functions in the field of erosion problems.



Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that the Trustees approve entering into a contract with the University of Florida Engineering & Industrial Experiment Station, with possible provision for increasing the \$10,000.00 amount for additional reports when needed by the Trustees.

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**DADE COUNTY:** The Trustees discussed the situation in Dade County where bulkhead lines have not yet been approved for the entire coastal area. Mr. Ferguson stated that the reports by Coastal Laboratory which the staff felt were needed might be very costly, and that Dr. Bruun would be present at the next meeting to explain his views on bulkhead lines for the Biscayne Bay area. The Trustees expressed the hope that Dr. Bruun could give enough information to enable the Trustees to proceed with consideration of the bulkhead lines adopted by Dade County based upon work done by county engineers.

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**ARTIFICIAL REEFS IN COASTAL WATERS:** On September 15, 1959 the Trustees discussed requests from individuals and agencies for permission to dump automobiles and other materials in coastal waters to create artificial reefs to encourage propagation of fish by providing havens for small fish. The Trustees asked Director Ernest Mitts of the Florida State Board of Conservation to refer the question to the Attorney General for opinion as to legality, and to prepare suitable regulations and restrictions for consideration by the Trustees.

Mr. Mitts presented proposed standards for issuance of permits to dump junked cars and other materials in Gulf and Atlantic waters, which provided that applications made to Trustees would be studied by the Director and referred to State Board of Conservation for survey and recommendation, that permits subsequently issued by Trustees would allow limited time for the dumping operation, that Conservation Department would keep maps showing location of these artificial reefs, and that criteria used for guidance in considering advisability of any particular reef proposal should include depth, type of bottom, currents, distance from shore, and type of material. At the Governor's suggestion, there was added a condition that no permit would be issued if thereunder any hazard, personal, navigational, esthetic or otherwise, would result.

It was brought out that Chapter 309.01 would prohibit any dumping in bays, ports, harbors or rivers, and that permit would be required also from U. S. Engineer, responsible for navigation. Also, it was suggested that a few permits be granted as a trial, and if any danger resulted, the Trustees could stop it.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin and adopted that the plan for a system of permits for artificial reefs be approved as amended, to be used as a guide in initiating this new procedure.

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**TRUSTEES' OFFICE:** Inasmuch as regulations of the Florida Board of Engineering Examiners now permit only Registered Land Surveyors to make and certify land surveys and maps and to establish and testify in Court as to real property boundary determinations, and such work is no longer classed by that Board as properly in the scope of engineering, it was suggested by the Director that the title of Engineer, heretofore used, should be amended to conform to the standards of the Board of Engineering Examiners and replaced by the title Chief Cadastral Surveyor. The Director also recommended that the Acting Engineer, A. Rees Williams be advanced to the position of Chief Cadastral Surveyor with salary commensurate with the nature of the work and service rendered, subject to approval of the State Budget Commission.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the title of Chief Cadastral Surveyor for the position in the Trustees' office referred to, and that the matter of salary be referred to a committee composed of Mr. Larson, Mr. Green and Governor Collins.

TRUSTEES' OFFICE: The Director advised that the Dorian Building in Tallahassee, which was considered as quarters for the Trustees' office and is now partially rented by state departments, had been offered to the state for sale at \$245,000.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees referred the matter to the Land and Building Committee.

#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve Bidding Report No. 734 listing 3 regular bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorize issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Pinellas County offered \$3,720.00 for conveyance under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, without advertisement and public sale, of Lot 15, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Pinellas Groves, in Section 3, Township 30 South, Range 16 East, being land located adjacent to St. Petersburg Clearwater International Airport desired to increase the safety factor in air transportation. The Director recommended acceptance of the price offered, which was the current assessed value.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance to the county under Chapter 21684, at the price offered.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Benjamin W. Masters, Alvin L. Masters, and Charles E. Masters, offered the base bid amount, \$1,625.00, for a 65-acre parcel described as Part of Grant to G. W. Perpall as shown in Deed Book 101, page 497, in Section 41, Township 6 South, Range 28 East, to be conveyed under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953 - the so-called Hardship Act. The Director recommended conveyance as requested, as applicants were heirs of former owner, and qualified under the law.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance to the applicants, as recommended, for the price offered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 13, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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LAND SALES

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 469-11-253.12. On August 18 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre from Roy E. Ingram and wife, abutting upland owners represented by W. R. Wilson & Associates, for purchase of 0.5 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Collier County News, Naples, Florida, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel in favor of applicants at the price offered.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 439-13-253.12. On August 18, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre from Rosalie and Geraldine Wolfe, abutting owners represented by Smathers, Thompson & Dyer, for purchase of 1.44 acres of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, lying easterly of and abutting Lot 1 of CORAL PARK according to Plat Book 2, page 66, of the public records of Dade County, together with the half of NE 20th Street (Coral Drive) which abuts said lot. The land was advertised in the Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

L. D. Lumpkin filed objection to sale of that part of the parcel adjacent to the portion of NE 20th Street, on the ground that the city should extend the street to the bulkhead line. Coral Park Subdivision, platted in 1913, dedicated Coral Drive to use of the purchasers of all the lots in the subdivision - not for use as a public street - and the city did not file objection to sale of the land or indicate future plans in regard to extension of the drive. The Director recommended that sale be approved subject to applicant obtaining written consent of the other owners of lots in the subdivision abutting Coral Drive.

Motion was made by Mr. Mayo, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that sale be deferred for further information.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 440-13-253.12. On August 18, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre from Iris Ann Savage, abutting upland owner represented by Smathers, Thompson & Dyer, for purchase of 1.1 acres of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, lying easterly of and abutting Lot 2 of CORAL PARK according to Plat Book 2, page 66, of the public records of Dade County, together with the half of NE 20th Street (Coral Drive) which abuts said lot. The land was advertised in the Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.



No objection was filed to the sale, however the same condition applied to Lot 2 as to Lot 1 in the item above, as the application included submerged land adjacent to part of the street dedicated to use of the subdivision lot owners.

Motion was made by Mr. Mayo, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, that sale be deferred for further information.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 466-44-253.12. On August 18 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Donald W. Smith, J. J. Griffiths and Frank J. Kelly, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 2.6 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 24, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel in favor of applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 467-44-253.12. On August 18, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from R. Lucile Parman, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 0.46 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel in favor of applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 473-44-253.12. On September 1, 1959 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Thomas J. Taylor and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 0.56 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Tarpon Basin in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to the applicants, at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 524-50-253.12. Mary Hampton Fullerton, abutting upland owner, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, offered the appraised price of \$1,835.00 per acre, or in this instance the \$100.00 minimum deed amount, for a triangular parcel of sovereignty land in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.02 of an acre abutting new U. S. Highway No. 1, lying between applicant's upland and the westerly right of way line of the road. The parcel, conveyed by the Trustees to Palm Beach County with other lands for road right of way, lay outside the westerly right of way line and was reconveyed by the county to Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on applicant's offer.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 504-50-253.12. Wilbert O. Dressel, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957 to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.605 acres filled prior to the bulkhead act, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.256 of an acre, more or less.

The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed, at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approve advertisement for objections only of the 0.256 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 505-50-253.12. Joseph J. Zammit, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.631 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.175 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approve advertisement for objections only of the 0.175 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 506-50-253.12. Harry W. Young, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.241 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.046 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer, and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approve advertisement for objections only of the 0.046 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 507-50-253.12. Eugene Homan, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South Range 43 East, containing 0.288 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.117 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer, and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.117 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 508-50-253.12. Fred G. Wiemann, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.602 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.122 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer, and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.122 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 509-50-253.12. Mrs. May Fertitta, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.197 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.258 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer, and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for the usual charge of \$10.00, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.258 acre parcel based on offer of the appraised price.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County by Resolution adopted October 2, 1959 on request of Henry Toland, Trustee, representing riparian owners of lands in fractional Section 4, Township 30 South, Range 19 East, in the Black Point area of Hillsborough Bay.

The Trustees examined map and aerial photograph submitted, and noted that the lands comprised an industrial area, and no objections to the bulkhead line were filed at the local level.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the Hillsborough County bulkhead line established by Resolution of the County Commissioners dated October 2, 1959.

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DADE COUNTY: Further discussion of the Dade County Bulkhead line for areas in lower Biscayne Bay, set for this date but postponed due to the absence of the Governor and Attorney General, was brought up. Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and engineers for private owners and developers,



had expressed objections to portions of the county bulkhead line as possibly aggravating damage by hurricane tides, and the Director stated that Dr. Bruun in preliminary study indicated the possibility of minimizing the tidal and weather damage in the bay by proper bulkhead lines. The Director's reluctance to recommend approval of the bulkhead lines was based on the unfavorable report from the Coastal Laboratory, and Dr. Bruun had been asked to come to Tallahassee to present information or recommendations to the Board at a time when Dade County representatives could be present. It was pointed out, however, that complete study of the area by the Coastal Laboratory had been estimated to cost around \$30,000.00, which the Trustees felt was too great an expense to be undertaken for one area.

Mr. Larson suggested that the Trustees ask Dr. Bruun to make another field inspection and report on the Swan, Rubicon and Old Rhodes Keys areas at the Trustees' expense, and recommend what he thought might be done to minimize the potential for tidal damage in the areas proposed to be developed. Mr. Green agreed that the Trustees should employ Dr. Bruun.

The Director felt that it would be well to let Dr. Bruun appear before the Board and advise whether the Laboratory could help by studying only those keys, as well as to hear from the Dade County group at a time when Dr. Bruun was present to explain his views.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson and adopted that the Trustees re-schedule the Dade County bulkhead line hearing for 11:00 A.M. October 27, 1959, at which time it was anticipated that all Board members could be present.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Joseph W. Smith and Benjamin S. Smith, Jr., holders of 99-year lease of Lots 19 and 20 of Okaloosa Island Authority Subdivision of Santa Rosa Island, applied for 10-year lease of a 30-foot strip of Choctawhatchee Bay bottom land adjacent to said lots. Applicants proposed to construct enclosed or protected boat slips and offered \$100.00 per year rental. Information was that the area was zoned light commercial and concession, and that details of plan were filed with U. S. District Engineer at Mobile.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize issuance of 10-year lease of the 30-foot strip at \$100.00 per year.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Judge G. E. Bryant, Jr., on behalf of F. W. Addison, requested a substitute deed to an area of reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Okeechobee in Section 34, Township 37 South, Range 35 East. The description in Trustees' Deed No. 17209 dated April 22, 1925, erroneously created a hiatus of a strip of land on the easterly end of the parcel conveyed. Applicant has re-conveyed to the Trustees the incorrectly described parcel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of substitute deed as requested, for the charge of \$10.00 plus recording fees.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director advised that the parties in the Cabbage Key area controversy - Dr. Bradley Waldron and Ben Overton, for George Marsic and Barbara Falk - had checked and accepted the survey made at Dr. Waldron's expense, and it was desirable to set a time for the Board to consider further action.

Mr. Larson stated that no further sales of submerged land should be considered until errors in the deeds already issued (caused by previous erroneous surveys) had been cleared up by issuance of correct deeds to all parties involved. It was the general opinion of the members present that the matter of corrective deeds, only, should be scheduled as soon as possible for consideration by all the Trustees.

The Director was instructed to notify all parties and place on the agenda for consideration at an early date the matter of correction of the erroneous conveyances.

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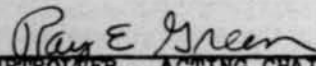
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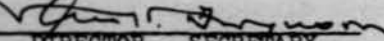
Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 735 listing 4 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

ALACHUA COUNTY: City of High Springs offered \$200.00, the recommended base bid, for conveyance under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, without advertisement or public sale, of part of 3 lots described as "That part of Block 42 lying south of State Roads Nos. 20 and 25, G. E. Foster's Addition to High Springs".

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve conveyance to the city as requested, for the amount offered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 20, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 272-41-253.12. On September 29 the Trustees denied the application for spoil island and sovereignty land in Sections 23 and 24, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, adjacent to upland of Thomas Macksey, Harry Macksey and Arthur B. Sachs, Trustee, which had been advertised and deferred on November 25, 1958 for review by the Attorney General, who found that an artificial channel did not cut off riparian frontage from upland. The Trustees suggested that a reduced area might be applied for, and that the northern tip of the spoil island might be sold at competitive bids.

E. W. Carlson withdrew objections to proposed sale and entered into agreement with the applicants, to be placed on record, wherein applicants agreed to (1) reduction, by cutting off triangular parcel on northern tip, to provide greater width of open water in front of Carlson's ownership on Dream Island, (2) construction of not more than 3 single-family residences on the northerly 450 feet of the reduced area, and (3) provision of a 48-inch culvert at such time as the southerly portion of the area sought should be filled for connection between Longboat Key upland of applicants and the spoil island.

The Director recommended that, subject to proper provision in the deed to respect agreement between applicants and Mr. Carlson, sale be confirmed as to the area within the established bulkhead line except for a triangular parcel westerly of the northernmost tip of the spoil island, being 240 feet in a northeast-southwest direction and 500 feet in a southeast-northwest direction, the westernmost corner being the most westerly corner of the area within the bulkhead line fixed for the spoil island, and that said triangular parcel be reserved or dedicated as a public area and to preserve the navigable channel connecting Harris Channel with Intracoastal Waterway.

Arthur B. Sachs, Herb Fields, and others present on behalf of the applicants, showed maps and aerial photographs and described the development planned, which was established on request by applicants. ~~within the bulkhead line~~

They explained that the tip was accessible only by boat and through the lower portion of the spoil island, by private road on applicant's upland. Plans included deepening water area, providing channel and safe harbor, and there were no local objections except Mr. Carlson's, which had been withdrawn subject to compliance with provisions in said agreement.

Attorney General Ervin said that upland riparian rights to the Intracoastal Waterway channel had been impinged on by the deposit of spoil, that precedent had been set by sales of the southern portion of the spoil island to upland owners, that it would be difficult to utilize the northern portion of the island in separate ownership, and he felt the staff had analyzed the matter as well as it could be done. He recommended sale be confirmed, including the northern tip, as recommended by Mr. Ferguson.

Governor Collins said that sale as sovereignty land should bring a larger amount, and applicants agreed to a price of \$500.00 per acre for that portion of the spoil island normally above high water, and \$250.00 per acre for the submerged area within bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that sale be confirmed to applicants at \$500.00 per acre for 9.49 acres, more or less, being that portion of the spoil island except the triangular parcel off the northern tip excluded in accordance with the agreement between applicants and Mr. Carlson, and at \$250.00 per acre for 6.92 acres, more or less, of submerged land within the bulkhead line, deed to be made subject to conditions in said agreement.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. At the request of J. Velma Keen, the Trustees reconsidered the application of Ben F. Cochran to purchase 2.78 acres of submerged land in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, in Sarasota Bay within the bulkhead line fixed by the city.

The Director was unable to contact all objectors to this sale, which was denied by the Trustees on March 4, 1959 without prejudice. The City of Sarasota had filed request for right of way to be reserved for 6th Street Causeway, for which definite requirements were not determined.



Mr. Keen pointed out that the small parcel was desired to block out the planned subdivision, the area was in line with the adjacent bulkhead line for the city's municipal center, that there had been considerable delay due to objectors not coming forward in person or filing protests within the usual time allowed, and that his clients were willing to make arrangements with the city to provide any reasonable rights of way needed for the causeway.

Mr. Ervin asked that the record show that he was not in favor of the proposition, and had voted against it on March 4, 1959.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on the application of Mr. Cochran, and designated October 27 as the date for further consideration.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 523-50-253.12. Mrs. Matilda O'Brien Stephens, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber and Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 F.S. 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.873 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in the same sections, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.085 of an acre.

The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer and advertisement of the parcel requested to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre, or \$100.00 minimum in this instance.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for the \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.085 acre parcel based on applicant's offer.

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**SARASOTA COUNTY:** Bulkhead Line. The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line fixed by Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Sarasota adopted on September 21, 1959. The bulkhead line, located in Sarasota Bay in front of the municipal center, was described as follows:

Commence at the NE corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, thence West on the North boundary of said section a distance of 1,267.50 feet to a point of beginning; thence South 2° 24' 50" West a distance of 1,321.20 feet to the Northwest corner of Central Broadway Subdivision.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line established by the City of Sarasota by Resolution dated September 21, 1959.

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**CHARLOTTE COUNTY:** John M. Hathaway, on behalf of Silver King Estates, applied for disclaimer to clear the title to an area bayward of the meander of Government Lot 3 of Section 21 and Government Lot 1 of Section 28, in Township 40 South, Range 23 East, to the mean high water mark of the Peace River.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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**COLLIER COUNTY:** W. R. Wilson & Associates, Inc., requested a disclaimer of Parcel "Y" according to plat of The Moorings Unit 2, Plat Book 3, pages 83 and 84, being part of the South 340 feet of Government Lot 2 of Section 28, Township 49 South, Range 25 East, 3.40 acres, more or less.

Information was that the entire section, patented to the state as swamp and overflowed land, was sold to Florida Land & Improvement Company in December 1883, and abstractor's certificate showed present record ownership in The Moorings Development Company of Canada, Ltd. Disclaimer was desired to clear the question as to whether the state might claim the parcel as sovereignty land, as portions were subject to overflow.

The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer as requested, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director.

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COLLIER COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of state permit to the City of Naples for one groin to be placed in front of Government Lot 2 of Section 21, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, to protect the beach from erosion in an area approximately one and one-half miles south of the Naples City Pier, to be constructed in accordance with recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit to the city, with no bond required.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of the fill permit issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County for the industrial development area of Port Sutton, Inc., Henry Toland, Secretary-Treasurer. The land to be filled was in Township 30 South, Range 19 East, in the Black Point area of Hillsborough Bay, for which the bulkhead line was approved on October 13, 1959.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved fill permit issued by Hillsborough County.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: By Resolution adopted October 12, 1959, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County requested conveyance for public park purposes of a tract of sovereignty land in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, containing 2.82 acres, more or less, abutting property now owned by the county known as Jupiter Island Park.

The Director recommended perpetual dedication to the county for public park purposes, subject to reversion at the option of the Trustees in the event of three consecutive years non-use for park purposes.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of a permit for installation of six groins constituting a protection system in accordance with recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, at the north end of Casey Key, Lots 2 to 6 of Palmer's Subdivision in Section 4, Township 38 South, Range 18 East, as an emergency measure against erosion at the property of T. H. Burkhardt, Oak Park Chateau Corporation, Gunars J. and Elenita M. Grouds, Henry C. and Marjorie S. Bosch.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of the permit as recommended by the Director, and require surety bond in the amount of \$500.00.

VOLUSIA COUNTY: J. Tom Watson, attorney for Wesley N. Raymond, the grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 21538 dated April 23, 1957, requested deed to correct the omission of "Block 6" in the original deed, and thereby show a more complete description of the land conveyed. The present record title holder and grantee for the corrective deed was Life Insurance Company of Georgia, a Georgia corporation.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted that the Trustees approve issuance of corrective deed as requested, for the usual charge of \$10.00.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: The Director advised that the State Board of Administration suggested that it appeared feasible to invest up to \$1,000,000.00 on behalf of the Trustees, in approved securities which would be subject to conversion in a matter of hours if cash were needed. Mr. Ferguson stated that it was not surplus funds but had been committed with disbursements to be made only as properly due and necessary, and therefore short-term investments callable in 90 days might be feasible.

At a meeting on this date the Budget Commission approved short-term investment as suggested, and confirmation by the Trustees was requested.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the suggestion of the State Board of Administration that up to \$1,000,000.00 be invested on behalf of the Trustees in short-term securities.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase, for use in the Trustees' office, of one Tudor #473 file costing \$48.30, in accordance with the requirements of the Purchasing Commission.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 736 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act; also, the Trustees approved issuance of Nassau County Deed No. 433-Corrective to Alfred H. Crews and wife to correct the deed book reference shown in description in original deed dated August 10, 1951, and Santa Rosa County Deed No. 279-Suppl-Corrective to Curtis Hobbs to show a more complete description of land conveyed in original deed dated January 5, 1945.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials requested conveyance under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, of the following described land lying within Hillsborough River State Park:

S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and that portion of E $\frac{1}{2}$  lying South of River and West of U. S. Highway #301, in Section 8, Township 27 South, Range 21 East; and North 175 acres in Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 21 East;

Comprising approximately 574 acres.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize conveyance to the Park Board as requested, for the \$10.00 minimum handling charge.



JACKSON COUNTY: David Rome, representing Kurtz Company, Inc., requested refund of the amount received by the State, \$70.00, plus costs, for the reason that title failed to three lots conveyed in Part Deed No. 590 dated June 17, 1957. Upon investigation, according to certificate from Florida Land Title & Trust Company of Marianna, it was found that the said lots did not exist.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved refund of \$70.00, the amount received by the State, upon receipt of quitclaim deed or disclaimer from grantee in the Murphy Act deed, which the Attorney General advised was in order to clear the record.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
October 27, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the Minutes of the meetings of October 6 and 13, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: Competitive Bids. File No. 500-44-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees approved advertisement for competitive bids and objections upon application by Norman Schulman, represented by W. G. Starry, who offered \$100.00 per acre as base bid for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 12, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, lying southeasterly of and not within 300 feet as measured at right angles to the centerline of U. S. Highway No. 1, between Teatable Key Channel and Indian Key Channel, containing not more than 80 acres. The tract was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The State Road Department advised that it had no objections to the sale. The Director recommended that access easement be allowed for connection to the highway subject to approval of State Road Department and U. S. Corps of Engineers.

The Director called out the description of the land, and competitive bidding resulted in high bid of \$430.00 per acre made by the applicant, Mr. Schulman, who will have survey made to determine the actual acreage of the submerged area.

As the Board Members were not present at the time of competitive bidding, the Director will present this matter for confirmation at the next regular meeting of the Trustees.

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SALES ADVERTISED FOR OBJECTIONS ONLY:

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 485-05-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees approved grant for public hospital purposes to Cape Canaveral Hospital District of Cocoa Beach and authorized advertisement, for objections only, of a tract of submerged land in the Banana River in Section 34, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, containing 49.36 acres, more or less. The land was advertised for objections only in the Cocoa Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received to the advertised conveyance.

Upon vote, the Trustees unanimously approved the grant for public use as a hospital, subject to conditions approved on September 15, (1) work to begin within two years or land reverting to the Trustees, and (2) deed to contain public purpose clause.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 494-11-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre from Naples Yacht Club, the upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 0.425 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Collier County News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Erwin H. Kubath, M. D. Tonnelier, and John Kinney, Jr., protested that any extension into Naples Bay would be undesirable. The Director pointed out the proposed sale area on the map, and recommended that objections be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objections and approved sale of the parcel at the price offered.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 495-11-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre from B. W. Morris, Jr. and wife, abutting upland owners for a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, containing 0.055 of an acre, more or less, in the City of Naples within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Collier County News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Erwin H. Kubath, M. D. Tonnelier, and John Kinney, Jr., protested that any extension into Naples Bay would be undesirable. The Trustees examined the map showing the application, and the Director recommended that objections be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and approved sale of the parcel at the price offered.

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COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 496-11-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre from Edwin M. Watson et al, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section

10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 0.33 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Collier County News, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Erwin H. Kubath, M. D. Tonnelier, and John Kinney, Jr., protested that any extension into Naples Bay would be undesirable. The Trustees examined the map showing the area applied for, and the Director recommended that objections be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objections and approved sale of the parcel at the price offered.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 478-23-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre, the price fixed by Trustees, from George G. Tapper Co., Inc., abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 12 West, and Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 11 West, lying easterly of and abutting Government Lot 7 of said Section 36, containing 72.05 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections only in the Port St. Joe Star, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protest filed by Charles A. Schiefer was withdrawn, and the Director recommended confirmation of sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the submerged land to the applicant at the price offered.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 475-23-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre, the price fixed by Trustees, from John J. Grimes and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 38.86 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Port St. Joe Star, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

General objections to any filling in the Gulf were filed by Manatee County Conservation Alliance, and the following persons from Pinellas County: Mrs. Ruth C. MacCollum, Mrs. M. H. Brooks, F. Zimmerman, Mrs. F. Singleton, Mrs. H. G. Heyson, Mrs. F. L. Gary, and Jack F. Stiles. Miss Julia L. Criglar, adjoining riparian owner, filed objection to the proposed sale.

Upon recommendation of the Director, the Trustees deferred action pending further investigation.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 476-23-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre, the price fixed by Trustees, from Joel C. Taylor, abutting upland owner, represented by Silas R. Stone, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 39.22 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Port St. Joe Star, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees office.

Miss Julia L. Criglar, owner of riparian property adjoining the applicant, filed protest to the sale based on the probable damage to her view and collection of debris.

Upon recommendation of the Director, the Trustees deferred action pending further investigation.



GULF COUNTY: File No. 477-23-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre, the price fixed by Trustees, from Thomas A. Sproull and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 14 and 23, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 22.70 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Port St. Joe Star, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

General objections to any filling in the Gulf were filed by the same parties who objected to sale under File No. 475-23-253.12, above.

Upon recommendation from the Director, the Trustees deferred action pending further investigation.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 479-23-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre, the price fixed by the Trustees, from Thomas S. Gibson, abutting upland owner represented by Silas R. Stone, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 94.68 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Port St. Joe Star, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

General objections to any filling in the Gulf were filed by the same parties who objected to sale under File No. 475-23-253.12, above. Also, Miss Julia L. Criglar, adjoining riparian property owner, protested the sale.

Upon recommendation of the Director, the Trustees deferred action pending further investigation.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 300-44-253.12. On April 28 the Trustees deferred action on application by Thomas Clinton and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, who offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for 1.1 acres of submerged land in the Straits of Florida adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, in Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca. Protests were filed from several owners, based on grounds of possible damage to a navigation channel near the shore used by riparian owners of that vicinity.

Mr. Clinton, in letter to the Trustees and to each objector, guaranteed to maintain a navigable waterway, either by keeping the existing channel open or by providing a new navigable channel. The Director recommended that objections be overruled and sale confirmed at the appraised price.

The Trustees discussed the prices being received by the state, and the general feeling was that many appraisals were not reflecting the values and the state should receive larger amounts for submerged lands. A price of \$250.00 per acre was suggested in this case.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Mayo and adopted, that the Trustees overrule objections and confirm sale in favor of Mr. Clinton subject to the following conditions: (1) that there be provision in the deed, or in a collateral contract, that navigable channel be provided for owners in the area, and (2) that applicant agree to pay at the rate of \$250.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 418-44-253.12. By reason of an error in legal advertisement and subsequent corrected readvertisement, reconfirmation was requested for a sale approved on July 28, 1959 to Earl E. Gray, abutting upland owner, of 0.6 of an acre of submerged bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida south of and

adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca. The parcel was readvertised for objections only in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees reconfirmed sale to Mr. Gray for \$100.00, the minimum deed amount.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 464-44-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered application by Joseph A. Kelleher on behalf of the University of Miami, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 59 South, Range 41 East, Key Largo, lying easterly of and abutting the North 26.88 acres of Government Lot 2 of said Section 18, containing 28.1 acres, more or less, to be used for marine research by the University in connection with its adjacent upland property. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale without cost, and directed that the deed contain clause providing that the parcel be used for University of Miami purposes.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 465-44-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered application by Marjorie M. McClellan, abutting upland owner, with offer of \$150.00 per acre, the appraised price, or in this instance the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, for a parcel of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 66 South, Range 33 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

The Director stated that objections received from Norman Bruce and Cadwalader Woodville, Jr., appeared unfounded, as the small proposed extension conformed to the general outline of the present shore line and sales previously made.

Governor Collins suggested that an offer of \$200.00 for the parcel be made to the applicant.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale to the applicant, subject to acceptance of the price of \$200.00 for the parcel.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 488-44-253.12. On September 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre from Eugene Underwood, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Governor Collins suggested that the submerged land be offered to the applicant at \$200.00 for the parcel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant subject to acceptance of the price of \$200.00 for the parcel.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 489-44-253.12. On September 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Mary Aileen Burgett, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 18, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.98 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Trustees suggested that the price of \$300.00 for the parcel would be acceptable.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant subject to his agreeing to the price of \$300.00 for the parcel.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 490-44-253.12. On September 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Stuart L. Faber and wife, abutting upland owners, for a parcel of submerged land in Section 33, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, containing 50.3 acres, more or less, at Key Largo. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

The Director stated that an objection from J. B. Parramore was withdrawn, that the area applied for was landward of the government meander, was overflowed land within the limits of the description owned by the applicant, and that sale was requested to clear the title to the area covered at high tide.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the applicant's offer and confirm sale as requested, to effect clearing of the title.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 498-44-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from Lindsley McChesney et al, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 11 and 12, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing 19.74 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Director reported that the State Road Department, the only riparian owner within one thousand feet, had advised that it had no objection to the proposed sale.

The Trustees suggested that the parcel be offered at the price of \$200.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants subject to acceptance of the price of \$200.00 per acre for the parcel.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 471-50-253.12. On September 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from William C. Regelmann, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, in the City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.147 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.



Protests to the sale were filed by Edward Hauptner, Ralph Rankin and Willis B. Ingham, who objected to filling out beyond their present and existing bulkheads. The Director recommended that the objections be overruled.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant at the price offered, and overruled objections.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 474-50-253.12. On September 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Robert W. Tindall, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, in the City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.701 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Edward Hauptner, Ralph Rankin and Willis B. Ingham objected to filling outward from the line of their present and existing bulkheads. The Director recommended that the objections be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objections and confirmed sale in favor of applicant at price offered.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 493-51-253.12. On September 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre from Howard A. Burkland, abutting upland owner represented by Sam Y. Allgood, for a parcel of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 31, Township 25 South, Range 16 East, and in Section 36, Township 25 South, Range 15 East, containing 46.1 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the New Port Richey Press and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

No protest to sale of the parcel was received, but J. Lewis Hall, on behalf of Carl Behnke and wife, protested the location of the contemplated dredging area as indicated on applicant's plat. The Director stated that the matter of dredging area was not under consideration at this time, and that Mr. Allgood had advised that a favorable agreement had been worked out with the objector, copy of said agreement being filed with the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Burkland at the price offered.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. On October 20 the Trustees fixed this date for decision on the application of Ben F. Cochran, abutting upland owner represented by J. Velma Keen and John C. Pinkerton, for purchase of 2.78 acres of submerged land in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, in Sarasota Bay within the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Sarasota.

The Director reviewed the protests filed some time ago to sale of this land (see Minutes of February 3, 1959) and explained that the City of Sarasota had requested 50-foot strip on the northern margin of the area to be reserved for 6th Street Causeway.

The Trustees examined maps and heard from Mr. Keen and Mr. Pinkerton, on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Pinkerton stated that the city actually would need less than 50 feet, and asked that the reservation of right of way be subject to further confirmation from the city as to the exact area required.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, but with the Attorney General voting "No", the Trustees approved sale at the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre, subject to reservation of up to 50 feet for right of way, exact amount of reservation for city's requirements to be determined.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

COASTAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY: On October 6 the Trustees approved entering into contract with the University of Florida Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station for services of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, including studies and reports to be performed on request of the Trustees for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1960, unless renewed. The obligation of the Trustees under the contract would be no more than \$10,000.00, without their written approval for additional projects.

The Attorney General approved the contract for execution. The Trustees discussed the terms, and questioned Dr. Per Bruun on source of funds for the Coastal Laboratory, which he explained were insufficient to take care of special work for the Trustees.

Without objection, the Trustees approved the contract and authorized payment for engineering services up to the amount of \$10,000.00, for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1960.

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DADE COUNTY: Bulkhead Lines. This date had been suggested for a discussion of problems in connection with Dade County bulkhead lines in the Lower Biscayne Bay area, as all members were to be present, and Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and a delegation from Dade County were requested to be present. The Director advised that word was received from Dade County on Monday, October 26th, that they could not attend, but it was determined that many issues could be discussed without prejudice to the county, with Dr. Bruun present to make explanation of his report on "Storm Tide Problems with Special Reference to Biscayne Bay", copies of which had been delivered to each Board member for examination prior to the meeting.

The Director stated that this report was received recently, but last June the Laboratory had advised that the plans for Dade County Bulkhead Line Sheets 61 through 67 did not consider storm and flood tide problems and that the entire project in the field should be redesigned. Based on the Laboratory's conclusions, he had been unable to recommend acceptance of the county bulkhead lines for this area, and he felt that scientific planning would be in the public interest to provide substantial protection against future damage to the thousands of acres involved. Report of the State Board of Conservation dated December 1, 1958 set forth that an adequate study for an area so large and complex would take years, that bulkheading would destroy the bay shrimp resource, and filling of the grass flats would destroy feeding and nursery grounds of desirable fish as well as pink shrimp.

Mr. Ferguson read from a resume of the recent Laboratory report, citing hurricane and flood tide dangers with special relation to the bulkhead line problem in Biscayne Bay, criticizing the Swan Key proposed line in particular, outlining principles in bulkhead line and bay fill planning which would offer advantages both to the public in protection and to the developers in step by step design procedures which would interfere as little as possible with local desires of proceeding with fill plans. Features of the Dade County bulkhead line considered by Dr. Bruun and his associates at the Laboratory as bad were the numerous small-mass areas, the funnel-shaped openings which would create high velocity in storms, configurations of channels and entrances as well as configurations of probable future fills within proposed bulkhead lines. The report found that it would be protection to consider

large land masses enclosed in one bulkhead line rather than small land masses with separate bulkhead lines around each.

The Trustees examined sheets of the Dade County bulkhead maps, and maps prepared by the Coastal Laboratory, and discussed with Dr. Bruun features pertaining to public welfare as well as probable development plans for the area. Dr. Bruun explained the map he had prepared showing suggested bulkhead lines.

T. H. Teasley, attorney for R. B. Swanson, was present and explained the history of his client's application, made in 1956, to purchase submerged lands adjacent to Swan Key, owned by him, in Section 33, Township 58 South, Range 41 East, offering at that time the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre. Sale was not made then, and after the enactment of the Bulkhead Law, Mr. Teasley applied to the county for establishment of the bulkhead line and renewed his client's application to purchase whatever submerged land he would be eligible to purchase. Further delay had resulted from the Dade County bulkhead line maps not receiving approval of the Trustees, and he urged consideration of Mr. Swanson's application for a small part of the whole involved in the bulkhead line problem.

In view of the fact that after the Ragged Keys developers had a report prepared by the Laboratory, the county did modify its bulkhead line, there was discussion of the possible modification of the Swan Key bulkhead lines to work out differences for this unit, as the application appeared reasonable. The Director pointed out that any anticipated enlargement must be coordinated with factors which affect the group of which Swan Key is a part, and with the tidal problems of the lower Biscayne basin area.

The Governor stated that the Board must find some practical way of resolving the matter, but that no compromises were expected beyond what would be essential and proper to take care of that area, and the necessity to base the work on sound engineering principles remained.

The Attorney General suggested that the staff and Dr. Bruun meet with the county and its engineers, to see if a solution could be worked out for Swan Key; and using this unit as a beginning, proceed, if possible, to try to resolve differences as to the over-all perimeter of the Dade County bulkhead lines.

Upon motion adopted unanimously, the Attorney General's suggestion was approved, and Mr. Ferguson and Dr. Bruun were asked to meet with the Dade County engineers as soon as practicable.

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DADE COUNTY: The State Road Department, on behalf of Dade County, applied for perpetual easement for drainage canal purposes for Krome Canal right of way, said right of way being the easterly approximate 80 feet of Hiatus Lot 1, Townships 53 and 54 South, Range 38 East.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that easement be granted, subject to flowage easement previously issued to Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District by Trustees' Instrument No. 19684 dated October 5, 1950.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of perpetual easement as recommended by the Director.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended deferment on the application of Doctor's Motel, Inc., for submerged lands in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 11, Township 32 South, Range 16 East. Transcript and recommendation showing application advertised by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority for hearing before the Trustees on October 27 was received by the Trustees' office on October 26, and time was needed for the staff to review the bulkhead line and transcript of county hearing.



Without objection, the Trustees deferred action until a later date.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees formally approved fill permit No. DF94 granted by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority to Frank P. Caldwell, et al, on September 24, 1959, to dredge and fill within the area of lands owned by the applicants in the vicinity of Long Bayou and lying northeasterly of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad right of way, in Sections 1 and 2, Township 31 South, Range 13 East. Information was that the area comprised 34.6 acres, more or less, sold by the Trustees to Mr. Caldwell under Deed No. 21797.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Leonard W. Cooperman, on behalf of Joseph V. Klingel, requested substitute corrective deed to show correct description of the area conveyed in Trustees' Deed No. 21593A dated December 11, 1957. The new corrective deed would replace a former corrective deed approved by the Trustees but not placed of record, and would reduce two of the finger-extensions into navigable waters which were a matter of concern to the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the substitute corrective deed for handling charge of \$10.00.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Howard Rives of Clearwater, attorney on behalf of the City of Dunedin, presented a matter regarding plans to enlarge and improve the City Marina, which would require removal of large amount of fill proposed to be deposited on adjacent city-owned submerged land. Wimp, Inc., owner of upland adjacent to said submerged land, agreed to allow the deposit of material, and a plan was proposed by the city for sale of the submerged land to the corporation at a price acceptable to the state and thereupon, return of that amount to the Trustees. As an alternate proposition, Mr. Rives said that the city would release the submerged land back to the state for conveyance to the upland owner at a price to be determined by the Trustees by appraisal, with city retaining right of way for a road at least 60 feet wide. It was represented that the city could effect a considerable saving on bids for the marina improvement if decision could be made within a short time.

Representing Wimp, Inc., Alex Finch said that either procedure would be agreeable, and explained that his clients could deal with the city on the amount of spoil material deposited.

The Director pointed out that the bulkhead line had not been approved, the staff had not had opportunity to check into the proposition.

It was the feeling of the Trustees that the project should first have the approval of Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority, appraisals should be made, and the submerged area should be advertised for objections.

Modifying his request, Mr. Rives asked the Trustees to waive the restriction against leasing contained in the city's deed, so that an area long used for a fish house could be leased for rebuilding and improving the dock and fish house facility.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees agreed that, subject to examination of copy of the lease proposed to be entered into by the City of Dunedin, the deed restriction would be waived to assist the city in this part of the project.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of assignment of Lease No. 1215 by lessee, James Appell, in favor of Big Ten, Inc., with a showing in the minutes that approval of assignment would not constitute a recognition of any right of lessee or assignee to any area outside the limit of area described in lease. Explanation was that the lessee failed to obtain a survey, and occupied an old spoil area within the right of way of Intracoastal Waterway known as Pine Island, in an area of unsurveyed marsh, not within the lease limits. Assignee agreed to hold only the area actually leased.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved recommendation of the Director and authorized the assignment.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Thomas T. Cobb, on behalf of "Venezia C., Inc.", applied for deed to that part already filled of an area under purchase contract No. 21672, containing 45.3 acres out of the total of 221.62 acres shown in the original contract, considerably more than the cost of the area to be deeded having been paid up under the contract.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of deed as requested.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees granted to Mrs. Ethel R. Hawes one-year extension of Lease No. 1063-A which expired August 31, on same terms and conditions. The lease covered Lots 254 and 258, Original Plan of Tallahassee, at \$150.00 per month, and included 90-day cancellation clause.

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GOVERNOR'S PARK AND CAPITOL CENTER: The Director recommended that the Trustees consider public sale of vacant houses not needed for state use, following procedures heretofore used in disposition of houses in the Capitol Center (publication of legal notice, special newspaper notice, public auction by professional auctioneer on 10% commission, bond by purchaser, etc.). Also, it was suggested that shrubbery on the properties suitable for reuse be removed in advance of house-moving operations.

The following properties are those in question:

Governor's Park: Wilharm, Harris, Gray, M. C. Collins and D. P. Yon houses.

Capitol Center : Yaeger, Pennington, Bird houses. The Cochran house was subject to occupation to January 1, 1960, after which it would be subject to removal.

Without objection, the Trustees approved disposition of the vacant properties in the manner used heretofore, and suggested that the Landscaping Department of Florida State University be asked to assist in taking up usable shrubbery for replanting in Governor's Park, Capitol Center, or University locations.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Col. H. N. Kirkman, Director of Public Safety Department, requested that Trustees loan the department \$225,000.00 to start construction of the first phase of a new wing to the headquarters building here. He stated that numerous Legislators had given approval to the plan, whereby repayment of the loan would be provided by an appropriation of at least \$508,000.00 to be requested from the 1961 Legislature, which it was contemplated would also allow completion of the proposed new wing.

In reply to Mr. Ervin's question, Col. Kirkman stated that the \$225,000.00 would be "ear-marked" and repaid to the Trustees out of the department's appropriation.

Motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees advance the sum of \$225,000.00 to the Department of Public Safety for the purpose described, on the basis of said department agreeing to submit that item on its budget to the 1961 Legislature for appropriation of general funds to repay the Trustees, and further conditioned upon approval of the plans, contract and bids by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 737 listing 4 regular bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 3, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of October 20, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copy presented to each member.

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LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 500-44-253.12. Without objection, the Trustees accepted high bid of \$430.00 per acre from the applicant, Norman Schulman, and confirmed sale of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 12, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing not more than 80 acres, competitive sale for which was held at the advertised time, 2:00 P.M. on October 27, following the Trustees' meeting on that day. (See minutes of October 27, 1959)



The Trustees commented that raising of base bid price of \$100.00 per acre to \$430.00 high bid was another indication that the appraisals might not reflect full value of the lands in recent applications, which had been noted in several instances.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 465-44-253.12. On October 27 the Trustees confirmed sales of two parcels of submerged land in the same immediate vicinity at Key Vaca, increasing the asking price of the parcel in File No. 300-44-253.12 from \$150.00 per acre to \$250.00 per acre, and increasing the asking price of the parcel in File No. 465-44-253.12 from \$150.00 per acre to \$200.00 for the 0.6 acre parcel, which established the per acre cost for the latter parcel at \$333.33.

The Director advised that the two parcels were of identical physical characteristics and within 950 feet of each other, and recommended that the cost of the 0.6 acre parcel in File No. 465-44-253.12 be reconsidered to sell at the rate of \$250.00 per acre, thereby establishing a uniform price for the submerged bottoms in that immediate area.

Without objection, the Trustees approved the recommendation, establishing the per acre price for the parcel sold on October 27 to Marjorie M. McClellan, as well as other submerged bottoms in that immediate area, at \$250.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 532-52-253.12. Rutenberg, Inc., of Clearwater requested approval of bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in meeting August 27, 1959, and offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for purchase of 19.1 acres of submerged land on the west shore of Old Tampa Bay adjacent to North Half of Government Lot 3, in Section 20, Township 29 South, Range 16 East, within said bulkhead line and adjacent to applicant's upland ownership. Certified copy of action taken by the Authority approving the bulkhead line and sale, and proof of publication of notice, were filed in the Trustees' office.

The Director advised that transcript of county hearing showed no local objections to bulkhead line or sale, which would allow applicant to clean up shallow tidal flats in front of upland property to create a more desirable waterfront.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the Pinellas County Authority, and sale was confirmed in favor of Rutenberg, Inc., at the price offered.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 530-44-253.12. Sunshine Development Corporation, abutting upland owner represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a tract of bay bottom land in Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to Government Lot 4 in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, containing 0.6 of an acre, at Key Vaca.

The Director recommended that price be fixed in line with price for other parcels in the immediate area.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, subject to applicant offering \$250.00 per acre for the parcel.

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 501-05-253.12. The City of Melbourne applied for grant, for municipal recreation area, of a tract of submerged Indian River bottom land south of and adjacent to right of way of State Road 516 (Causeway) in front of and offshore from city-owned upland, 850 feet from nearest private upland. To finance construction of municipal marina, the city proposed to execute lease, up to 30 years, to private interests. The Director explained that the project was basically a municipal improvement which would provide public facilities, however, the Coastal Engineering Laboratory felt that further investigation should be made as the plan might create stagnant water pocket and alter the current pattern.

Albert Vorkeller, riparian owner, while not protesting the fill plan, did protest the city dredging within 250 feet from any existing shore line because of accretion and erosion in the area, and he said that the city had not established a bulkhead line requested by him.

In view of the statement from the Coastal Laboratory, the Trustees felt that they could not proceed further, and the Director suggested that the city consult with the Laboratory and also incorporate in its plan provision to prohibit dredging within 250 feet of privately owned land.

The Governor said he would not expect the city to engage the Laboratory for a fee to redesign the project, but that on behalf of the public interest and as part of its obligation to the Trustees, the Laboratory should be asked for advice.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on the City of Melbourne's request, and directed Mr. Ferguson to notify the city that upon examination of the plans which had raised serious questions of stagnant water, it was suggested that they revise the plans in consultation with the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, including provision to prohibit any dredging within 250 feet of privately owned land.

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GROIN PERMITS: In connection with the preceding matter, the Trustees discussed the current regulations on groin permits, and objections voiced by some parties to paying the Coastal Engineering Laboratory for examinations and reports required before issuance of state permits. The members felt that as a general rule applicants should employ their own engineers, submit their plans to the Trustees for permit, and that any expense incurred by the Coastal Laboratory in advising the Trustees on the submitted applications might be borne by the state in the public interest.

The Director explained that under present regulations, worked out in cooperation with the Attorney General's office and filed with the Secretary of State, application for permit for groin or such coastal structures was referred to the Laboratory for recommendation, and if unfavorable, applicant was referred to the Laboratory for on-the-ground examination and possible revision of plans, the Laboratory's service paid for individually by the applicant. Reports of Laboratory, filed as part of the permits issued by Trustees' office for \$10.00 fee, averaged about \$100.00 in cost.

Consideration was given to revision of the regulations, and Mr. Ferguson proposed that, since the present procedure was objectionable, the Trustees' office could obtain estimate from the Laboratory for examination and report, applicant could pay the Trustees, and permit would be issued.

However, the Governor suggested that the expense of the examination should be on the state, with the Laboratory under obligation to the Trustees to protect the public interest. The fee charged for issuance of the permit would be increased.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, the Trustees moved that the suggestions of the Governor be accepted as the policy of the Board, and the Director was instructed to work on revision of the regulations.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

BREVARD COUNTY: Presented for consideration and action were the bulkhead lines fixed by County Resolutions of August 6 and September 24, 1959, including the greater part of the county, not including municipalities or the Thousand Islands in the Banana River. Transcript of May 27th county hearing was furnished the Trustees. All of the bulkhead lines were fixed "one foot from the shoreline" subject to four types of exceptions, and the Resolution defined "shoreline" to be the "line of the mean high water mark of the regular and ordinary tides except where the line separating open water from exposed dense marine growths is off-shore from such line or ordinary high water. In all such instances the shoreline shall be considered to approximate the line of open water."

The Director commented that the use of "shore" and "shoreline" could mean either the mean high water line or firm land or a vegetation line, possibly remote from firm land. Since the line of marine vegetation was indefinite and vague, might be remote from the edge of firm upland, might be highly irregular or subject to shifting, and none of the maps submitted provided any information as to the location or extent of marine vegetation, the Director recommended that all of the bulkhead lines be rejected.

The Trustees examined the maps submitted by the county, noting instances of the four types of exceptions to the "one foot from the shore line", and felt that the bulkhead lines as established could not be delineated with any definiteness.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Green, and adopted, the Trustees formally rejected the bulkhead lines on the ground that they were vague, indefinite and insufficient.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: Harry Young, represented by McLaughlin Engineering Company, made application to dredge 3,200 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of North Fork of New River in Fort Lauderdale to improve his upland.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit as requested at the standard rate of payment for material.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The State Road Department applied for temporary easement for a borrow pit haul road across a part of Section 4, Township 49 South, Range 39 East, in connection with construction of State Road No. 25. The Director recommended that easement be granted subject to flowage easement previously granted to Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District by Trustees' instrument No. 19554 dated January 17, 1950.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of temporary easement to the State Road Department as recommended by the Director.



CLAY COUNTY: The Florida Board of Forestry requested concurrence of the Trustees in conveyance to Union Bag-Camp Paper Corporation of 7 acres in S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 32, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, being part of a tract deeded April 18, 1938 by Union Bag and Paper Corporation as a donation for use as a tower site. Since the 7-acre parcel was not used or required, and the successor corporation requested reconveyance of the surplus parcel, the Florida Board of Forestry at its meeting in June 1959 approved return.

The Director stated that the Forestry Board submitted deed of reconveyance, drawn by the Attorney General, for concurrence of the Trustees.

At request of the Governor, action was deferred for further checking.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: G. A. DeVane requested extension of time for the seventh semi-annual payment on his contract No 21384, which was more than two-thirds paid with account in good standing, and the Director recommended extension of 45 days with interest at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  per month from due date.

Upon motion by Mr. Mayo, duly adopted, the Trustees approved extension on the basis recommended by the Director.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Florida Audubon Society applied to lease a group of unsurveyed mangrove islands or flats in the Indian River situate northerly of Wabasso Bridge, easterly of Intra-coastal Waterway, westerly from (outside) established bulkhead line for the easterly shore of the river, southerly of Pelican Island. The area was shallow, and since some islands were near the shore, the Society furnished written consent of the upland owners to whom the islands might normally be considered riparian. The Audubon Society had made studies of the large area rich in wild bird life, Pelican Island at the north end being the oldest sanctuary in the United States, established by President Theodore Roosevelt, and commitment of the area for wildlife refuge would preserve resting and feeding area in the zone.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized 10-year lease of the area within the described limits, estimated at 500 acres, for use as a wildlife refuge only, at \$1.00 per year, with 90-day cancellation provision.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials, owner of southerly 680.65 feet of Government Lot 7 of Section 22, Township 8 South, Range 30 East, requested dedication of the unsurveyed marsh area between said property and the Matanzas River, at Butler Beach Park. The Director recommended dedication of the strip between normal high water line of the river and the park-owned parcel, for public park purposes under the supervision and management of the Park Board.

The Trustees unanimously approved dedication as recommended by the Director.

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TRUSTEES: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees requested that Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory be asked to have a representative of the Laboratory attend the meeting of the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association in Clearwater on November 20, 1959 to represent the Trustees' interest.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Personnel. It was reported for the minutes that the Budget Commission on this date approved creation of a new position not in the Legislative Budget of "Chief Cadastral Surveyor", eliminating the position of "Engineer", and also approved payment of compensation for this position, to A. Rees Williams, at the annual rate of \$11,000.00, effective November 1, 1959.

The report on action of the Budget Commission was accepted as finalizing the item in the Trustees' minutes of October 6, 1959.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Personnel. The Director recommended that the Trustees' Chief Cadastral Surveyor be designated as Swamp Land Selection Agent to make or sign reports to be used in applications to the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for patents to the State of Florida covering swamp and overflowed lands which the state may be entitled to receive under the Swamp Land Act of Congress of 1850. He explained that this was one of the duties of the office, that the U. S. Department of Interior was making surveys and correcting erroneous surveys, and that the state might be entitled to newly surveyed lands.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized the designation of the Chief Cadastral Surveyor as the Swamp Land Selection Agent, and directed that his reports, prepared in the manner prescribed by law, be counter-signed by the Director.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Equipment. Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase, for use in Trustees' office, of two (2) four-drawer legal filing cabinets costing approximately \$116.45 each and one file stool costing \$13.65.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 738 listing one regular bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deed corresponding thereto.

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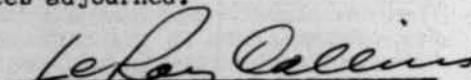
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of supplemental-corrective deed to Southwest Tampa Storm Sewer Drainage District, to clarify an ambiguous description in original Hillsborough County Deed No. 08-Chapter 21684 dated August 7, 1945, upon payment of the \$10.00 minimum charge.

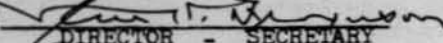
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MARTIN COUNTY: Murray Roth and wife requested refund of \$234.00 for various lots conveyed in Murphy Act Deeds Part 1102 and Part 1107, which lots were doubly assessed. The Attorney General approved refund in accordance with the appropriate statutory procedure and staff's calculations.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized refund to applicants of \$74.00 for Martin County Deed Part 1102, and refund of \$142.00 for Martin County Deed Part 1107, or a total of \$216.00, the amount received by the state for the lots on which title failed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 17, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins	Governor
J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of October 27 and November 3, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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LAND SALES

GULF COUNTY: File No. 475-23-253.12. On October 27 the Trustees deferred action on sale to John J. Grimes and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, covering a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 38.86 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Subsequently, Miss Julia L. Criglar, owner of property in the vicinity, filed with the Trustees letter withdrawing her protest to the proposed sale, and the Director recommended that the general objections to any filling in the Gulf be overruled as not valid.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale in favor of the applicants at the established price of \$10.00 per acre, however attention was called to the fact that the price of \$10.00 fixed by the Trustees to encourage development in the area would not necessarily continue to be the recommended price for future sales in this area.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 476-23-253.12. On October 27 the Trustees deferred action on sale to Joel C. Taylor, abutting upland owner represented by Silas R. Stone, covering a parcel of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, containing 39.22 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Subsequently, Miss Julia L. Criglar, owner of property in the vicinity, filed with the Trustees letter withdrawing her protest to the proposed sale, and the Director recommended that the general objections to any filling in the Gulf be overruled as not valid.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale in favor of the applicants at the established price of \$10.00 per acre, however attention was called to the fact that the price of \$10.00 fixed by the Trustees to encourage



development in the area would not necessarily continue to be the recommended price for future sales in this area.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 477-23-253.12. On October 27 the Trustees deferred action on sale to Thomas A. Sproull and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Silas R. Stone, of 22.70 acres, more or less, of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 14 and 23, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, within the established bulkhead line. The Director recommended that the general objections to filling in the Gulf of Mexico be overruled, and sale confirmed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale in favor of the applicants at the established price of \$10.00 per acre, however attention was called to the fact that the price of \$10.00 fixed by the Trustees to encourage development in the area would not necessarily continue to be the recommended price for future sales in this area.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 479-23-253.12. On October 27 the Trustees deferred action on sale to Thomas S. Gibson, abutting upland owner, covering 94.68 acres of submerged land in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 15 and 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, within the established bulkhead line. Subsequently, Miss Julia L. Criglar, owner of property in the vicinity, withdrew her protest to the proposed sale, and the Director recommended that the general objections to any filling be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale in favor of the applicant at the established price of \$10.00 per acre, however attention was called to the fact that the price of \$10.00 fixed by the Trustees to encourage development in the area would not necessarily continue to be the recommended price for future sales in this area.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 121-52-253.12. James T. Humphries, Jr., abutting upland owner represented by John C. Polhill, offered \$500.00 per acre, the appraised price, for 1.47 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the bulkhead line established for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. The application was rejected on May 27, 1958, because at that time the location of the bulkhead line was considered an encroachment into the narrow width of open water of The Narrows. At the urging of the town and local citizens, the bulkhead line was subsequently approved. Proof of publication of sale notice was filed in the Trustees office, and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959 showed approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed include clause showing owner would have no absolute right to fill to the limit of his purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to James T. Humphries, Jr., at appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 214-52-253.12. Robert A. McKay, et al, abutting upland owners represented by Joseph S. Clark, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, containing 2.36 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line established for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. On August 12, 1958, the Trustees deferred action on Mr. McKay's application, until approval of the bulkhead line and offer of the appraised price. Proof of publication of sale notice was filed in the Trustees office, and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959 showed approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed include clause showing owners would have no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision could be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Robert A. McKay, et al, at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 349-52-253.12. A. K. Dickinson, abutting upland owner represented by Joseph S. Clark, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, containing 1.29 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line established for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959, showing approval of proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owner had no absolute right to fill to the limit of his purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from the county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to A. K. Dickinson at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 461-52-253.12. Barney W. Laws and wife, abutting upland owners represented by John C. Polhill, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.52 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners would have no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included

in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from the county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Mr. Laws and wife at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 480-52-253.12. Idele V. Jamison, abutting upland owner represented by John C. Polhill, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.883 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing that owner would have no absolute right to fill to the limit of the purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from the county and approved by the Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Idele V. Jamison at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 481-52-253.12. Suzanne Egan and M. Jane Egan, abutting upland owners represented by John C. Polhill, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 1.183 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners had no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by the Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 482-52-253.12. Elizabeth A. Holt, et al, abutting upland owners represented by Joseph S. Clark, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.60 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on October 8, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.



The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owner had no absolute right to fill to the limit of the purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from the county and approved by the Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants, at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 325-52-253.12. Belleair Properties, Inc., abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, comprising a total of 10.9 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of the sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on July 9, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners had no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by the Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Belleair Properties, Inc., at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 326-52-253.12. Hubert E. Tipton and wife, abutting upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.77 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on July 9, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners had no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 462-52-253.12. Leonard C. Martino, et al, abutting upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 2.61 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on July 9, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners had no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 463-52-253.12. Charles F. Edwards and wife, abutting upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.66 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the vicinity of The Narrows, in Section 24, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, within the established bulkhead line for the Town of Indian Rocks Beach South Shore. Filed with the Trustees were proof of publication of sale notice and certified copy of transcript of local hearing by the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on July 9, 1959, showing approval of the proposed sale.

The Authority requested that deed contain clause showing owners had no absolute right to fill to the limit of their purchase, and the Director explained that no filling could be authorized until issuance of fill permit by the Authority, approved by the Trustees. Governor Collins suggested that provision be included in the Trustees' deed that unless and until permit had been secured from county and approved by Trustees, purchaser had no vested right to fill.

Upon motion of Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to the applicants at the appraised price, deed to contain clause as suggested by the Governor.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Bulkhead Line and Sale. File No. 486-52-253.12.

Florida Presbyterian College, represented by its president, Dr. William H. Kadel, requested formal approval of bulkhead line established by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on June 26, 1959, as recommended by the City of St. Petersburg, said bulkhead line certified by the Authority as well as approval of proposed sale being filed with the Director at this Board meeting.

The bulkhead line was fixed for submerged land described as follows:

From the NW corner of Sec. 10-32-16, run N. 89°36'57" E., along the N line of said Sec. 10, 320 ft. M.O.L. to the highwater line of Boca Ciega Bay for a P.O.B.; thence S. 89°36'57" W., along the N line of said Sec. 10 and its westerly extension into Boca Ciega Bay, 1,290.63 feet to the intersection with the curve; thence along said curve

to the left, radius 656.87 ft., arc 214.2 ft., chord S. 30°39'30" E., 213.25 ft.; thence S. 40° E., 3,400.02 ft.; thence N. 75°15' E., 514.47 ft.; thence N. 75° E., 874.93 ft. M.O.L. to the highwater mark of Boca Ciega Bay; thence meander said highwater line in a NW'ly direction to the P.O.B. Said tract containing 97.3 acres,

which the college applied to purchase, making offer of \$2,000.00 for the parcel.

The Trustees examined the maps submitted, and noted that the west boundary was 400 feet east from the east boundary of the submerged land purchased by Al Furen, now owned by the Ratner interests, and the Director pointed out that a 200-foot strip would probably be required by the State Road Department for the Bayway project, for which definite location had not been supplied.

J. Velma Keen, on behalf of the Ratner interests, discussed technical details which he said should be worked out. Under Trustees' Deed No. 20245, Mr. Ratner was allowed to take fill material from the westerly 100 feet of property sought by the college, and while Mr. Ratner was willing to relinquish this right as to the 100 foot parcel, it would be necessary to modify Deed No. 20245. Also, said deed required grantee, when the land was filled, to dredge a 500 foot wide opening connecting with excavated channels, and since the college application covered land within 400 feet of the easterly side of the Ratner property, it seemed reasonable to ask for modification of this provision. Thirdly, as the Pinellas Authority had approved the Furen fill plan of development, Mr. Keen stated that modifications should be carried back to the Authority for approval.

Price for the submerged land was discussed, and in view of the intended use for educational purposes of the college, and the desire to encourage private educational institutions, the Trustees felt justified in adjusting the price for the submerged land.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the Authority, agreed to accept the offer of \$2,000.00 from the Florida Presbyterian College, and tentatively approved the purchase, subject, however, to working out details of the certain conflicts which needed adjustment, and a committee was appointed composed of Comptroller Green, Attorney General Ervin, and Chairman Joe Grotegut of the State Road Department, to make specific recommendations back to the Board in order to accommodate working out the details for both interests.

#### BULKHEAD LINES

FRANKLIN COUNTY: Referred to the Trustees for formal approval was a bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County on November 16, 1959, described as follows:

Commence at the NW cor. of the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 12-7S-4W and extend a line S. 0°54'40" E along the W line of said Sec. 12 for 2,200.0 feet; then turn 129°30' left for 253.04 ft; then turn 7°19' left for 601.35 ft; then turn 98°58'30" right for 1,528.8 ft. to a concrete monument on the average high water line of St. George Sound. Then continue the line last described for 1,700.0 ft. for a point of beginning. At this P.O.B. turn 84°03'40" left from the line last described for 2,729.00 ft. to the point of terminus, which is 1,500 ft., more or less, from the average high water line of St. George Sound on a bearing of S 37°56'10" E.,

being offshore from upland property of the First State Mortgage Company.



The Director stated that upland owners desired to make application to purchase the area within the bulkhead line, but that complete information had not been filed for study by the staff. He felt that at the time conveyance was considered, areas left in open water in the fill plan should be dedicated to public use, and certain bridge openings should be required.

For First State Mortgage Company, David Gaskin, William J. Ryan and Max Kilbourn, consulting engineer, were present and explained that the area in general was shallow, would be used for extension of Ianark Village, development plan utilizing about two-thirds of the submerged area was designed to provide circulation of water through planned channels, filled areas were indicated to be 5½ feet above mean high water, and the maximum extension was about half-way between the upland and offshore sand bars or shoals.

The Trustees examined the maps submitted, expressed great interest in proposed development in this part of the state, and felt that appraisal could be secured and the 100.0 acres, more or less, advertised for objections only.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the bulkhead line be formally approved, appraisal of the submerged area covered by the application procured, and that the land sale be advertised for objections only, subject to offer of the appraised price.

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PASCO COUNTY: On April 14, 1959, the County Commissioners of Pasco County, on request of L. F. Fernald, fixed a bulkhead line for two spoil islands in Anclote River owned by Mr. Fernald, who subsequently applied to purchase all sovereignty lands within the bulkhead line. The staff did not recommend the bulkhead line nor proposed sale, and Mr. Fernald obtained survey for proposed amendment of bulkhead line and application conforming to staff's suggestion. Before requesting the county to amend its April 14 action, applicant desired expression from the Trustees as to the layout.

The Director recommended tentative approval of the proposed amended line, which, being a reduction of the former line, would require no further advertisement or hearing, and recommended tentative approval of the area for sale, approximately 36 acres of submerged land South of Anclote River channel in Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 15 East, Pasco County.

The Trustees directed that another appraisal be procured, and J. Velma Keen, on behalf of applicant, indicated willingness to go along with the appraised price.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees gave tentative approval to the proposed amended bulkhead line and, subject to approval of the amended line, authorized that the parcel be advertised for objections only, provided applicant agreed to offer the appraised price.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: James W. Moore, on behalf of the following seven (?) applicants, applied to purchase a total of 629.3 acres, more or less, of submerged land adjacent to their upland ownership, in Biscayne Bay in Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32, Township 56 South, Range 42 East, Dade County, lying within the established bulkhead line for the Ragged Keys, Dade County Map Sheet 70 - Revised approved by the Trustees July 28, 1959. Mr. Ferguson advised that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory had recommended the line allowing greater extensions, as a protection to the land areas, and he recommended sale of the parcels applied for at the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre.

1. DADE COUNTY: File No. 516-13-253.12. Stanley C. Myers offered the appraised price, \$123.00 per acre, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 108.7 acres, more or less, adjacent to his ownership on Ragged Key No. One, to the established bulkhead line.
2. DADE COUNTY: File No. 517-13-253.12. Hugh L. Woods, Trustee, offered the appraised price, \$123.00 per acre, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 14.8 acres, more or less, adjacent to his ownership on Ragged Keys No. One and No. Two, to the established bulkhead line.
3. DADE COUNTY: File No. 518-13-253.12. Florence B. Moore offered the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 35.3 acres, more or less, adjacent to her ownership on Ragged Key No. Two, to the established bulkhead line.
4. DADE COUNTY: File No. 519-13-253.12. George Stamos and wife offered the appraised price, \$123.00 per acre, for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 166.1 acres, more or less, adjacent to their ownership on Ragged Keys Nos. Two, Three, Four and Five, to the established bulkhead line.
5. DADE COUNTY: File No. 520-13-253.12. Christiansen Corporation, et al, offered the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 96.7 acres, more or less, adjacent to its ownership on Ragged Key No. Three (Coral Key), to the established bulkhead line.
6. DADE COUNTY: File No. 521-13-253.12. S. W. O'Neal, Jr. et al, offered the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 84.9 acres, more or less, adjacent to their ownership on Ragged Key No. Five, to the established bulkhead line.
7. DADE COUNTY: File No. 522-13-253.12. Stars Incorporated offered the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay comprising 132.75 acres, more or less, adjacent to its ownership on Ragged Key No. Six (Boca Chita), to the established bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on the seven Dade County applications.

The following six (6) applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged parcels riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 432-44-253.12. Cape Sable Corporation, by Harold Lichtenberg, offered the established price of \$250.00 per acre for 33.62 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 29, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Ramrod Key.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 526-44-253.12. Reuben S. Payne, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$225.00 per acre for 1.05 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Bay of Florida in Section 22, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, Big Coppitt Key.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 527-44-253.12. Hudgins & Alfonso, Inc., represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for 6.78 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 2, Township 67 South, Range 28 East, Crab Key.

4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 535-44-253.12. Key Largo Development Co., represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$350.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land, one in the Straits of Florida and the other in the Bay of Florida, in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, comprising a total of 7.2 acres, more or less.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 536-44-253.12. C. M. Schimmelman, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 11, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, comprising 1.85 acres, more or less.
6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 538-44-253.12. Ramrod Investments, Inc., represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$250.00 per acre for 2.42 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Section 32, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Ramrod Key.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the six (6) parcels of submerged land in Monroe County advertised for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 435-50-253.12. Anna Price, et al, abutting upland owners represented by George H. Butler, applied to purchase two (2) parcels of sovereignty land in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line, offering the appraised prices of \$1,835.24 per acre for a 10.44 acre parcel, and \$1,437.66 per acre for a 6.16 acre parcel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: File No. 483-55-253.12. Nile Corporation, owner of Government Lot 5 of Section 9 and Government Lot 6 of Section 16, Township 7 South, Range 30 East, offered \$3,500.00 for 239 acres of accretion attached at north end to applicant's upland, being part of an accretion area between Matanzas Bay and the Atlantic Ocean in unsurveyed parts of Sections 9, 15 and 16 in Township 7 South, Range 30 East, comprising 422 acres, attached at the south end to Bird Island, property of the Florida State Board of Parks & Historic Memorials. The area built up in recent years in a zone considered unstable in its natural state, and at meeting on October 5, 1959 the Park Board approved the division of the accretion as representing an agreed settlement of riparian rights, legal questions of rightful ownership, and right of adjacent upland owners to acquire.

The Director advised that the appraised price was \$62.50 per acre, the proposed sale involved substantially the land mass above normal high water and no bulkhead line was fixed, the application involved no filling, and recommended advertisement for objections only subject to offer of price required by Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to accept the appraised price, \$62.50 per acre, and authorized advertisement for objections only of the 239 acres applied for by Nile Corporation.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

ST. JOHNS COUNTY: The Florida Board of Parks & Historic Memorials requested dedication of approximately 183 acres of accretion attached to applicant's Bird Island upland in Section 22, Township 7 South, Range 30 East, being the portion of accretion south of the division line approved by the Park Board in meeting October 5, 1959. (See preceding item.)



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication as requested, for public park and recreational purposes under supervision and control of the Park Board.

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BREVARD COUNTY: Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County requested a hearing before the Board, on behalf of Brevard County Mosquito Control Committee, concerning filling which the Committee contemplates in areas which the county would like to obtain for recreational purposes.

The Director recommended that until bulkhead lines had been approved, commitment of sovereignty areas was impracticable.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to advise the County Board that upon approval of bulkhead lines, maps of the proposed public recreation areas might be presented for study and the Committee might then review its plans before the Trustees.

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DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of Agreement dated April 21, 1958 between Max M. Singer, holder of Lease No. 1177, joined by his wife, with Leo Landis and wife, Harold Abbot and wife, wherein Mr. Singer was designated Trustee for all the parties, and under which agreement each held an undivided one-third interest and responsibility. As Mr. Singer was deceased, it was also recommended that approval be conditioned upon receipt of new surety bond and other necessary information for the lease file.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the Agreement as recommended by the Director.

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DADE COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Mayo, duly adopted, the Trustees approved five-year extensions of each of the following campsite leases which expired November 1, 1959, on Long Arsenicker Key on current rental of \$50.00 per year for each lease: No. 959 held by John D. McBride; No. 962 held by Earl G. Adams.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Toom Properties, Inc., represented by M. S. McCollum, offered \$235.00, appraised price of parcel in its unfiled state, for quitclaim deed from Trustees under provisions of Section 253.12(1) F.S. 1957, to a parcel of filled land in Sections 30 and 31, Township 32 South, Range 40 East, filled prior to date of enactment of bulkhead act and subsequent to May 29, 1951, comprising approximately 0.4 acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of quitclaim deed to Toom Properties, Inc., as requested, for the price offered.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Willis & Goodrich, attorneys for Frank Cipriani, offered \$135.00, appraised price of parcel before filling, for quitclaim deed under Section 253.12(1) F.S. 1957, to a 0.325 acre parcel of land in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, that was filled prior to date of enactment of the bulkhead act and subsequent to May 29, 1951.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of quitclaim deed to Frank Cipriani as requested, for the price offered.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Anna Maria Island Erosion District applied for permit to (a) install three groins at Manatee County Public Beach

fronting the Gulf of Mexico, between 37th and 42nd Streets in Holmes Beach, and (b) remove from an offshore zone in Sarasota Bay beyond established bulkhead line material to use to stabilize and nourish the beach between the proposed groins, all in accordance with recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners endorsed the project and requested approval by the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to the Anna Maria Island Erosion District as recommended by the Coastal Laboratory.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** Key Largo Coral Reef Preserve. On February 17, 1959 the Trustees approved and concurred in Resolution adopted January 26, 1959 by Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials wherein the United States and the State of Florida were requested to dedicate the great coral reef area easterly of Key Largo, beginning at Molasses Reef, thence northeast to Whistle Buoy 2 (approximately 21 miles), thence northwest to Buoy C-21 (approximately 3½ miles), thence southwest approximately 21½ miles to Beacon 37, thence southeast approximately 3½ miles to Molasses Reef. The area included lands beyond the statutory boundary of Florida, and dedication by the State of the portion within its boundary and jurisdiction was recommended.

Copy of proposed Presidential Proclamation was furnished, setting forth that the U. S. and State desire to cooperate in preserving the scenic and scientific values of the area, withdrawing from disposition the portion on the Outer Continental Shelf, designating the area as "Key Largo Coral Reef Preserve", and requesting the Secretary of the Interior "to prescribe rules and regulations governing conservation and protection of coral and other mineral resources of the area and to cooperate with the State of Florida and its conservation agencies in the preservation of the reef."

The Director advised that while the area overlapped a relatively small portion of an area under lease to McKee's Museum of Sunken Treasure, the lease did not appear to conflict with the purposes of the dedication and no reduction of the proposed dedication area was recommended.

Motion was made and unanimously adopted that the Trustees approve recommendation of the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials and dedicate, insofar as their interests might extend, the area described, for the Key Largo Coral Reef Preserve, and that the State of Florida and its agencies cooperate with the United States and its agencies in conservation and preservation of the reefs.

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**OSCEOLA COUNTY:** G. E. Bryant, Jr., on behalf of E. M. Fowler and wife, present record owners of three parcels of reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 36, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, originally conveyed in Trustees' Deed Nos. 18990A, 18991A and 19098, made application for a substitute deed describing by metes and bounds the total area included in the three deeds. The Fowlers have conveyed back to the Trustees the three areas identically described as in original deeds, which incorrectly showed the reclaimed lands as portions of Government Lot 2 of said Section 36.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of substitute deed as requested for a charge of \$10.00, the applicant to pay all costs of recording deeds to the Trustees.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 135-52-253.124. The Director recommended formal approval of the Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority Permit No. DF96 dated November 9, 1959, to Venetian Isles Development Corporation, represented by Adrian Bacon, for filling

of that area conveyed by Trustees in Old Tampa Bay southeasterly of Mermaid Point, in Section 3, Township 31 South, Range 17 East.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the fill permit granted by the Pinellas County Authority to Venetian Isles Development Corporation.

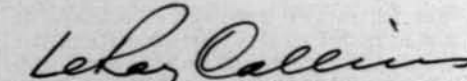
EROSION AND SHORE PRESERVATION: On November 3 the Trustees authorized revision of the regulations governing issuance of State Permits for groins and other coastal structures, and indicated that the expense of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory report, which had been averaging \$100.00 or more, should be borne by the state, with an increase in the permit fee to be charged by the Trustees to applicants.

The Director recommended that the regulations approved June 17, 1958 be amended to provide for filing of application and plans with Trustees' office, said office to procure study and recommendations covering the proposed work, that the license or permit fee be increased to \$100.00, and that the amended regulations be approved by the Attorney General before filing copy in the office of the Secretary of State.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

STATE LAND OFFICE: Equipment. Without objection, the Trustees authorized purchase of two desk chairs and one desk for use in the State Land Office.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
November 24, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

LAND SALES

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 513-43-253.12. On October 6 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Harry B. Donley, representing Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine, Inc., abutting upland owners, for purchase of 6.22 acres of submerged land in Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, within the established bulkhead line. The



parcel was advertised for objections in the Stuart News, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to applicant at the appraised price.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 514-43-253.12. On October 6 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Harry B. Donley, representing Catholic Burse Endowment Fund, Inc., abutting upland owner, for purchase of 9.69 acres of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Stuart News, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees and no protest to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to applicant at the appraised price.

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MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 515-43-253.12. On October 6 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Anton J. Milazzo, abutting upland owner, or in this instance the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections only in the Stuart News, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protest to the sale was received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to applicant at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 320-44-253.12. G. A. Crawshaw and E. Clyde Vining, representing Ella A. Morris, abutting upland owner, requested reconsideration of application for sale of a tract of sovereignty land in Blackwater Sound in Section 36, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, at Key Largo, containing 137 acres, more or less, for which the offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 was rejected by the Trustees on September 22, 1959.

Mr. Crawshaw presented maps and further information, stating that the area was covered with mud and silt about eight feet deep, over rock, material for proposed filling would have to come from digging of deep channels and boat basins, the so-called lake was salt water, partially mangrove locked, with no channel through, that objections to filling up a canal were unfounded as the canal area was state road right of way which would not be involved in the sale.

Mr. Vining pointed out undesirability of the area for purposes such as public parks, the expense of developing because of the mud over rock, and indicated that his client might increase his offer.

Governor Collins felt that the area was so large that it might not be considered as related properly to the upland ownership, and the Director explained that it was not riparian to any other land, and the sale would not create a hazard from an engineering standpoint.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to sale of the tract of land provided applicant would offer \$255.00 per acre.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 504-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Wilbert O. Dressel, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.256 of an acre, more or less, in the City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to applicant at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 505-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Joseph J. Zammit, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.175 of an acre, more or less, in the City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised for objections in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to Mr. Zammit at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 506-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Harry W. Young, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.122 of an acre, more or less, in the City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to Mr. Young at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 507-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Eugene Homan, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.117 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to Mr. Homan at the appraised price.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 508-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Fred G. Wiemann, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.122 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to Mr. Wiemann at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 509-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Mrs. May Fertitta, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.258 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

The motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel to Mrs. Fertitta at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 510-50-253.12. On October 6 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Paulina A. Ruth, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.549 of an acre, more or less, in the City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Letters were filed from the city and from Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District evidencing no objections to the proposed sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel to the applicant at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 524-50-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,835.00 per acre, or the minimum deed amount of \$100.00, from Mary Hampton Fullerton, for purchase of a triangular parcel of sovereignty land in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.02 of an acre, more or less, lying between applicant's upland and the westerly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 1. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicant, at the minimum deed amount.



PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 395-50-253.12. On October 6, upon application by Arvida Corporation, upland owner, represented by Thomas McE. Johnston, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, without implied agreement to carry out sale and the details concerning title to be determined by the staff and the Attorney General, of a parcel of sovereignty land in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, Boca Raton Lagoon, containing 1.8 acres, more or less. The applicant had not offered the appraised price for the land, and on November 23 made request for disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes, without payment.

The Director advised that the area in question was sovereignty bottom land under Boca Raton Lagoon, presumably filled by the U. S. Engineers in the construction and maintenance of the Intra-coastal Waterway possibly with consent of the State for the public work; and there was no evidence in the file that the applicant or any predecessor in title improved the land or ever paid taxes on it. Many other sales of Boca Raton bottom land had been made to abutting upland owners at the prevailing market value, and the staff recommended deferment of sale until applicant offered the appraised price for the parcel.

Representing Arvida Corporation, Mr. Johnston, whose company had approved title to the tract of land, stated that his client relied on terms of Chapter 57-362 in requesting disclaimer to the area. He explained that when it developed that questions of surveys and engineering were involved, Brockway, Weber & Brockway and W. Turner Wallis were employed.

Mr. Wallis reported his findings from an engineering standpoint, referring to maps which the Trustees examined, pointing out that there was no question concerning the present upland character of the land in question, but that he did not agree with the position of the Trustees' staff that it was not an erroneous survey and that former sovereignty character of the area was converted to upland by deposit of material. He felt that the area clearly came within Section 9 of the Bulkhead Act as fill made prior to effective date of that Act.

Assistant Attorney General McLane stated that the cases the Trustees had considered previously were those where upland owner or his predecessor did the filling, and if the spoil was placed there by the U. S. Engineers, legal question was raised.

The Governor suggested that engineers prepare agreed statements of fact for use by the Attorney General, and that the staff explain its position to the Attorney General.

Upon motion duly adopted, the matter was referred to the Attorney General for report back to the Board.

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COLLIER COUNTY: Oil and Gas Lease. Upon application by Humble Oil and Refining Company, the Trustees on October 6 authorized advertising oil and gas lease for competitive sealed bids, covering 680 acres, more or less, described as follows:

Collier County, Trustees' reserved interest in Township 48 South, Range 29 East:  
Section 31: S $\frac{1}{2}$  and S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  - 440.0 acres  
Section 32: S $\frac{1}{2}$  of S $\frac{1}{2}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  - 240.0 acres

The land was advertised for competitive bids in the Collier County News and the Tallahassee Democrat, with proof of publication filed in the Land Office, and bid of \$1,071.00 cash consideration including the first year's rental, net bonus \$731.00, was received on the sale date from Humble Oil and Refining Company. No other bids were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees accept the offer from Humble Oil and Refining Company and authorize issuance of lease in the usual form requiring royalty payments of one-eighth in kind or in value, plus fifty cents per acre annual rental increasing five percent of such original amount annually after the first two years, and shall be for a primary term of ten years.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

ALACHUA AND UNION COUNTIES: O. F. Allen offered \$10.00 per acre for Government Lots 1 and 2 and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 6 South, Range 18 East, bordering Santa Fe River, containing 189 acres, more or less, appraised at \$4 to \$6 per acre. Appraiser reported the land as low swamp, standing in water in wet season, timber consisting of some cypress, black gum and poorest grade oak, with access only through land of another owner.

Motion was made and adopted that the land be advertised for competitive bids and that copy of notice be directed to the adjacent owner through whose land the area was accessible.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 539-44-253.12. Theodore Ness and Virginia L. Paterson offered the appraised price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, comprising 2.09 acres, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 528-36-253.12. Lowrie Lumber Company, abutting upland owner for itself, and as Trustee for other upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre, or in this instance the \$100.00 minimum deed amount, for a parcel of submerged land in Caloosahatchee River in Sections 9 and 16, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, comprising 0.71 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 537-36-253.12. Bulkhead and Application to Purchase. Referred to the Trustees for formal approval was bulkhead line in Pine Island Sound established by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122 Florida Statutes 1957, by Resolution dated October 23, 1959, described as follows:

Commence at the SE corner Section 21, Township 45 South, Range 22 East; thence South 89°42'56" West 1,924.5 feet to point of beginning; thence along the same bearing a distance of 1,400 feet; thence North 7°46'15" West a distance of 9,652.14 feet; thence North 89°54'52" East a distance of 1,400 feet to Point of Ending, and lying and being in Sections 16 and 21, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, Lee County.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, noted that the line was almost two miles in length offshore from Pine Island, and in line with that bulkhead line approved June 2, 1959.

Also, application was presented from Jack A. Freeman and Jules Freeman, abutting upland owners, represented by Henderson, Franklin, Starnes and Holt, with offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per

acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Sections 16 and 21, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, Pine Island, comprising 479.39 acres within the above described bulkhead line, described as mangrove flats and very shallow water areas where development would be desirable.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Lee County, and authorized advertisement for objections only based on the offer submitted by Messrs. Freeman.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

ST. LUCIE COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established on October 14, 1959, by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County, pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957. The bulkhead line, fixed by the county upon request of Charlotte B. Gotfredsen, upland owner, was described as follows:

Start at the Northeast corner of fractional Section 3, Township 37 South, Range 41 East; thence run North 89°38' 22" West along the North line of said Section 3, to a point on the Easterly shore of the Indian River, a distance of 2,359.86 feet which is the Point of Beginning; thence run South 10°20' W. along said Easterly shore of the Indian River 400 feet to a point; thence continue to run South 10°20' West 469.13 feet; thence run South 89°38'22" East to the Easterly shore of the Indian River a distance of 2,157.42 feet, to the Point of Ending.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by St. Lucie County.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: With reference to Brevard County bulkhead lines rejected by Trustees on November 3, R.P. Wallis, as consultant to the county on bulkhead matters, requested the Board to grant a rehearing on December 15 for representatives of the county to defend their proposed line. He also submitted copy of a letter he had addressed to the Brevard County Commission following the Trustees' rejection of the bulkhead lines.

The Trustees agreed to a rehearing as requested, and suggested that the Director write to the county explaining how the proposed bulkhead lines were unsound, being too vague and indefinite. They further suggested some meeting of the Trustees and the County's engineers prior to the date of the rehearing.

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CHARLOTTE AND LEE COUNTIES: Florida Audubon Society applied for 10-year lease to maintain and protect in natural state as feeding and nesting area for wild birds a group of sovereignty islands, mangrove flats, tidal lands, sandbars and accretions in Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34 and 35, Township 42 South, Range 21 East.

Errors in the U. S. Survey of the area existed, and part was riparian to uplands owned by William H. Vanderbilt and Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who consented to join in the lease insofar as their riparian or other rights extend.

The Director recommended that the proposed lease be subject to termination by Trustees on six months notice if the area was required for a paramount public purpose or if no longer required for the lease purpose, and as to areas which might be proved riparian to the private upland, the lease would allow the Vanderbilts to terminate upon six months notice.



Governor Collins suggested that drawing of the lease be referred to the Attorney General, provision to be included that nothing contained in the lease could be construed to define or fix expressly or by implication the areas included as properly riparian to the Vanderbilt uplands.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of 10-year lease, covering approximately 1,500 acres, for \$1.00 per year, preparation of the instrument incorporating the Governor's suggestion to be referred to the Attorney General.

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CHARLOTTE AND LEE COUNTIES: West Coast Inland Navigation District applied for easement for additional right of way for the west coast inland waterway through Gasparilla Sound, Charlotte Harbor, Pine Island Sound and San Carlos Bay, in Charlotte and Lee Counties.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of easement as requested.

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CITRUS COUNTY: The Director brought to the attention of the Trustees unauthorized dredging and filling by Thomas Edenfield of state-owned submerged lands near Crystal River. The Attorney General reviewed file including complaint, notice to cease and desist issued by Director, request to Sheriff for investigation, and assistance by Assistant State Attorney who submitted testimony to Attorney General showing Edenfield operations involved state sovereignty lands.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees authorize the Attorney General to proceed with appropriate legal action, with or without joinder of private owners as co-plaintiffs, against the party responsible for the unauthorized dredging and filling.

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GULF COUNTY: To clear question of title, Neal Lumber and Manufacturing Company offered \$2,000.00 for quitclaim of accretion attached to Government Lot 5 of Section 17, Township 4 South, Range 9 West, in margin of Dead Lakes. Following on-the-ground investigation, the Director explained as follows: the soil, alluvial in character, was higher in elevation than original land and old railroad; annual ring count from core of oldest tree seen indicated age of approximately 50 years; cypress stumps showed original sovereignty character; the area included former bed and mouth of Chipola Cut-Off River, and velocity of river in wet seasons would account for the accretion, estimated to be between 150 and 200 acres; soil and timber on the accretion area was different from that of original U. S. lots; great part of area would be flooded upon completion of the Dead Lakes dam now under construction.

Mr. Ferguson recommended quitclaim covering the area above normal high water westerly of Government Lot 5, north of Chipola Cut-Off River, upon which there is standing timber, bounded westerly by the open waters of Chipola River and Dead Lake, subject to right of way of State Road S-22-A, for the amount offered by applicant.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees directed that an appraisal be procured of the land and timber thereon, and the matter then be brought back to the Board.

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LEE COUNTY: Sheppard and Roberts, on behalf of Siesta Isles, Inc., applied for a disclaimer for a part of Section 13, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, Lee County, lying landward of the original Government meander and patented to and conveyed out of the State of Florida as swamp and overflow lands. The area was affected occasionally by the tide but not covered by the daily tides. To remove any cloud on the title, the staff recommended issuance of a disclaimer.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of a disclaimer for \$25.00 charge, as recommended by the staff.

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LEE COUNTY: Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, by Resolution adopted September 23, 1959, requested deed for road and drainage purposes covering lands in Township 46 South, Range 22 East.

The Director recommended dedication of right of way for public road and drainage purposes under supervision and control of Board of County Commissioners, subject to revocation for three consecutive years non-use, of the East 50 feet of Government Lots 4 and 5 of Section 13, the East 50 feet of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, the South 100 feet of N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 24, and the South 100 feet of Government Lot 1 of Section 23, all in Township 46 South, Range 22 East.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized dedication as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: On July 31, 1888, in Deed No. 13789, the Trustees conveyed to Alonzo Sawyer a parcel erroneously described as the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, instead of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 26. The applicant was notified of the error under date of March 21, 1902, but no further action was taken to correct the error at that time. On March 24, 1905, the grantee, Mr. Sawyer, conveyed the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , among other lands, to a third party by deed recorded in Deed Book "V", page 169, Monroe County public records. On December 19, 1892, the Trustees conveyed Government Lot 6 of said Section 26, being the same parcel as the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  erroneously described in Deed No. 13789.

Also, title to the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  reverted to the State of Florida under the Murphy Act by Certificate Nos. 1026 of 1930 and 8369 of 1933, being described with reference to Deed Book "V", page 169.

The recommendation of the staff and the Attorney General's office was that the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 26 be conveyed under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, from the State of Florida to the Trustees for no consideration, that quitclaim deed be issued for \$10.00 handling charge to the present record owner of Government Lot 6 (J. G. McKay, as Trustee for El Radabob Liquidation Trust) to clear title, and that the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  be returned to the land list for further conveyance.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations and authorized issuance of the proper instruments.

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MONROE COUNTY: In connection with the above matter, G. A. Crawshaw appeared on behalf of J. G. McKay, as Trustee for El Radabob Liquidation Trust (the Crane Company), and requested the Trustees to exchange the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, for three parcels owned by the Crane interests which are government lots lying in open water, not suitable for any development, comprising 90 acres, more or less. Mr. Crawshaw submitted maps recently prepared to reconcile an old government survey, and explained that the said company had conveyed everything west of the Inland Waterway to the United States for Everglades National Park, and would like to deed the open water area (colored in red on the map) back to the state.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to order appraisals of both areas, and the matter was taken under advisement for later consideration.

MONROE COUNTY: The Trustees discussed with G. A. Crawshaw the value of land in recent Monroe County sales, and appraisal reports being received. It was felt that values had increased, and in recent instances where the prices were raised by the Board, the applicants had been willing to accept the increases. Mention was made of earlier appraisals procured from outside the county, complaints made and as a result appraisals had since been ordered from county appraisers. In some cases where it did not appear that good comparable reports were received, prices had been fixed by the Trustees on the basis of their best judgment, but it would be very helpful if local appraisers would base their reports on sounder values.

Mr. Crawshaw stated that he had no objection to the rise in prices which the Trustees had set, generally about \$100.00 over previous prices in the various areas where sales are currently active. He was advised that the Trustees were making no firm commitment, as the particular case would be considered in each instance.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On August 11 the Board directed that Ben Overton, Bradley Waldron and the Director collaborate to develop adequate and agreed-upon descriptions of areas westerly of Cabbage Key in Boca Ciega Bay which would correct former deeds to George Marsic, Mrs. Barbara Falk and Mrs. Priscilla Waldron.

New surveys were made for Mr. Overton's clients, Marsic and Falk, and for Mrs. Waldron, all coordinated with respect to each other and tied to the easterly quarter-section corner of Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, the nearest official U. S. survey corner, and it was clear that the former deeds were in error by reason of erroneous surveys used for legal descriptions. Inasmuch as Mrs. Waldron's parcel was defined by its erroneous survey as an exception in deed to Dr. Waldron, Baya Harrison, Jr., Irving and Hyman Green, the Director recommended that each of the four parcels should be reconveyed to the Trustees in exchange for new correct deeds vesting the parties with their proper basic ownerships, using correct descriptions based on the recent surveys tied to the easterly quarter-section corner of 30-32-16.

On October 13 the Trustees stated that no further sales of submerged lands should be considered until errors in the deeds already issued had been cleared up by issuance of correct deeds to all parties involved, and the Director recommended that all parties reconvey to the Trustees exactly as originally conveyed, in exchange for deeds containing corrected descriptions which could now be prepared by using the new surveys.

Ben Overton was present on behalf of Mrs. Falk, but requested that the Marsic application be held in abeyance for the client to consult another attorney. He stated that there was no difference of opinion as to the Falk parcel and she was willing to reconvey, that conveyance of certain submerged land adjacent thereto was discussed on July 9, 1957, and now that the survey was acceptable he requested advertisement for objections only.

Mr. Ferguson stated that only corrective deeds were to have been considered on this date and Dr. Waldron had not been notified. Values of submerged land in the area had gone up but possibly the Trustees were committed in earlier discussions to \$100 per acre price for the submerged land applied for by Mrs. Falk.

The Trustees examined the maps submitted, noted that the area desired by Mrs. Falk was delineated differently on the new map, and the Governor suggested that the parcel be advertised for objections only.

Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, and the Director had worked out the matter of exchange of deeds, which was ready for action.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the Director to work out corrected deeds upon receipt of deeds of reconveyance as originally described, and agreed to advertise the parcel of submerged land for Mrs. Falk based on price of \$100.00 per acre.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 171-58-253.12. On October 27, 1959, the Trustees approved sale of submerged land to Ben F. Cochran, reserving up to 50 feet across the north end of the parcel in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, for city street or causeway for 6th Street. The City of Sarasota defined its requirement of a strip 32½ feet wide, and the Director recommended that the strip be dedicated for public street or road purposes in order that the city might make arrangement for the strip to be filled concurrently with Mr. Cochran's operations.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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CAPITOL CENTER: The Attorney General submitted an agreement executed by Alex Strauss for sale of capitol center property described as the East 46.04 feet of Lot 143 and the North 74.4 feet of Lot 142, Old Plan, Tallahassee, for \$37,000.00. Mr. Green explained that the payment was on the same basis as that in a separate purchase by the State Road Department from Mr. Strauss, and was approved by the Attorney General.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the purchase, and payment to Mr. Strauss of the amount of \$37,000.00.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: The Director advised that John H. Phipps offered to remodel to suit and rent space in the former Sears building on Monroe Street for relocation of the Trustees' office if desired.

No action was taken.

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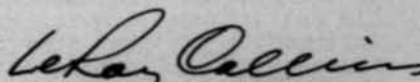
CAPITOL CENTER OFFICE BUILDING: The following action was taken by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions on this date:

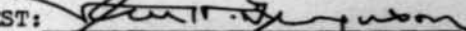
"The Governor advised the Board that after making many serious efforts, the City of Tallahassee has been unable to sell revenue certificates for funds to be used in connection with construction of a new office building in the Capitol Center, and that the City had been forced to abandon the plan. The Governor stated that recognizing the continued need for more office space in the Capitol Center, the Development Commission has been requested to consider proceeding under a former Resolution authorizing the Commission to sell revenue certificates for construction of State Office buildings and determine if it can market certificates for that purpose. He also stated that informal discussions had been had with representatives of the City of Tallahassee and a tentative agreement has been reached; that if the building can be constructed, the State will acquire from the City the block of land for the price of investment made by the City, with the understanding that the amount of proceeds will be held by the City in trust, along with approximately \$75,000.00 heretofore placed in trust, to assist in purchase of land in Capitol Center, or for slum clearance in this area. Ratification of this tentative agreement is to be made at the proper time. Assuming a continuance of need, marketing of revenue certificates, and confirmation of arrangements with the City, it was the Governor's opinion, that plans for construction of the building should proceed.

Motion was made and adopted that steps heretofore taken in this respect be officially confirmed by the Board."

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Director be instructed to request a statement from the City of Tallahassee as to the amount required to reimburse the city and acquire title in the name of the State of Florida to the block bounded by Gaines, Adams, Bloxham and Duval Streets.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 8, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the minutes of the Trustees' meeting of November 17, 1959 were approved.

#### LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 497-44-253.12. On September 29 the Trustees considered application of George W. R. Andrade for a parcel of submerged land in Sections 29 and 30, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, in the Bay of Florida, southerly of Ellison Island and adjacent to submerged land owned by applicant. Applicant increased his offer to \$200.00 per acre, the price fixed by Trustees, the parcel was cut back so that the southeasterly boundary was parallel and 500 feet from centerline of U.S. Highway No. 1, and the 26.5 acre parcel was advertised for objections only in the Key West Citizen. Proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

The Director recommended confirmation of the sale and that easement be authorized for access to the Overseas Highway not to exceed 200 feet wide, with location and plan to be approved by the State Road Department and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as to sale and easement to applicant for access, based on offer of \$200.00 per acre.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 523-50-253.12. On October 20 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only upon offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre, or in this instance the minimum of \$100.00, from Mrs. Matilda O'Brien Stephens, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of Lot 3, Block 38, North Palm Beach Plat No. 3, to the established bulkhead line. The tract was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Protest to the sale was filed by James and Florence Jorgensen on the grounds that when they previously sold Lot 3, the sale did not include riparian rights which they still claimed, and information was that they desired to purchase the submerged land adjacent to applicant's upland Lot 3. The policy of the Board had been to sell to the upland riparian owner only, and the Director advised the Board that the matter was discussed with Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane.

The Director's recommendation was that the objection be overruled and sale confirmed; that deed be held 30 days from date of confirmation and objector notified, to allow filing of legal action if desired.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved recommendation of the Director as action of the Board.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 442-50-253.12. On September 1 the Trustees deferred action on offer of the appraised price of \$150.00 from K. C. Smith, abutting riparian owner, for purchase of a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom in Section 34, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, in Lake Okeechobee, containing 17.97 acres, more or less.

Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District had no objection to the proposed sale, and the Director recommended approval of application and conveyance without advertisement in accordance with the usual policy of the Trustees for sale of reclaimed lake bottom land to upland owners.

Commissioner Mayo suggested that the price be re-examined, as farming lands near the lake should be worth more.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees directed that land be offered to the applicant for \$250.00 per acre, and if not accepted, another appraisal be ordered, and that the matter be brought back to the Board for report and confirmation.

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#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 541-50-253.12. Ethel M. Kelley, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.988 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 1.427 acres for which offer was made of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer, and advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be conveyed.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 1.427 acre parcel based on applicant's offer of the appraised price.



PINELLAS COUNTY: Grant to City of Dunedin. On October 27 Howard Rives appeared before the Trustees with plans for development of the City of Dunedin's marina, and requested waiver of the restrictions in Deed No. 21669 which prohibited sale or lease for private purposes. The plan required relocation of a fish house within the zone for private operation, reconveyance of a part of the sovereignty parcel and acquisition of a new strip, with waiver of the limiting restriction on the area within the project.

The Board expressed willingness to cooperate with the city, and the staff of the Trustees, the Attorney General, with assistance by Mr. Rives, worked out the following recommendations:

1. That the city reconvey to the Trustees the portion of sovereignty area heretofore deeded, situate north of extension of Main Street, easterly of a line 100 feet west of the established bulkhead line;
2. That the deed restriction be waived as to that part of (a) extension of Main Street and (b) the deeded area south of extension of Main Street, all east of a line 200 feet west of the bulkhead line or Intracoastal Waterway right of way, whichever is the lesser distance; and
3. That the city's application for an additional strip south of and adjacent to the parcel described in "2" being 115 feet wide between the city's upland and east of a line 200 feet west of the bulkhead line or Intracoastal Waterway right of way, whichever is the lesser distance, be approved for grant without consideration and restriction, for advertisement for objections only.

Mr. Ferguson explained that the area in "1" was approximately 6 acres of sovereignty land in Section 27, Township 28 South, Range 15 East, in front of a private owner, all of which should be reconveyed to the Trustees, that the waterway might be subject to some relocation, and that the additional strip in Section 34, Township 28 South, Range 15 East was requested to be granted to take the place of that area to be reconveyed to the Trustees.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, the Trustees approved the three recommendations submitted by the staff, and authorized advertisement for objections only of the parcel in "3" granted to the City of Dunedin without consideration.

#### BULKHEAD LINES

DADE COUNTY: The Director advised that proponents of the bulkhead line at Mashta Point, Key Biscayne, desired to appear before the entire Board, and the Trustees directed that a date be arranged in early January.

DADE COUNTY: On February 3, 1959 the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line on Sheet 37 of Dade County official bulkhead maps as to that part of the line shown lying northerly of 123rd Street, N.E. The Director explained that recommendation was not made covering the part of the line on Sheet 37 between the Northeast corner of Lot 211, Block 14 San Souci Estates and NE 123rd Street for the reason that (1) the area between the upland and this segment was exempt from requirement of a bulkhead line by Section 253.123 Florida Statutes, the upland owner appearing to hold U. S. permit approved by Trustees prior to June 11, 1957, and (2) the upland owner and holder of permit had obtained or proposed to obtain modification of the permit since June 11, 1957 which would require a different bulkhead line to accommodate the revised plan.

Information was that George Helker, holder of the permit, had filed application with the county for a new bulkhead line to accommodate his revised plan, but that the county desired the line shown on Sheet 37 to be either approved or rejected before considering Mr. Helker's application.)

Mr. Ferguson recommended approval of that portion of the bulkhead line on Sheet 37 not previously approved by the action on February 3, 1959, as the line conformed to original permit and exemption provided in Sec. 253.123 and the staff did not have reason to give it an adverse recommendation.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve all that portion of the bulkhead line shown on Sheet 37 of Dade County bulkhead maps not previously approved, as recommended by the Director.

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#### LEASES

DADE COUNTY: Frank W. Walker, holder of Campsite Lease No. 977 expiring February 1, 1960, applied for five-year extension of the lease covering 200 feet square on East Arsenicker Key at \$50.00 per year.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized five-year extension of Lease No. 977 at the same rental.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: The Director recommended approval, for the minutes, of assignment by Coastal Petroleum Company to The California Company of Coastal's interest in State Drilling Lease 224-A-Modified insofar as the same covers oil, gas, sulphur and liquid hydrocarbons in a 160-acre square parcel of submerged land in St. George Sound including a recently drilled well, said assignment being made in consummation of an operating agreement between the two oil firms.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the assignment as recommended.

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MONROE COUNTY: DesRocher Sand Company, Inc., applied for commercial sand lease covering two areas southwest of Boca Chica Key near Boca Chica Channel, the area west of the channel being 1,000 yards by 500 yards, and the area east of channel being 1,000 yards by 300 yards.

The Director reported the Board of County Commissioners approved the lease, the Navy approved the proposed dredging, and he recommended the lease on a year to year basis at 15¢ per cubic yard, \$25.00 per month minimum, with surety bond of \$2,000.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the lease as recommended.

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MONROE COUNTY: Mrs. Sophie Smith requested reinstatement of Lease No. 919 which expired October 30, 1959, which covered a strip of sovereignty land 50 by 354 feet south of the old Card Sound road, at \$100.00 per year.

Mr. Ferguson recommended issuance of a new 5-year lease at the same rental, with 120-day cancellation clause, with provision that lessee may remove improvements placed by her on the land.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of new lease to Mrs. Smith as recommended.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**POLICY RE DOCKS, PIERS, WHARVES IN NAVIGABLE WATERS:** Opinion of the Attorney General, No. 059-241 dated November 24, 1959, directed attention to the need for regulatory policy by Trustees for docks, piers, wharves, marinas and such boat facilities extending into the navigable waters and upon sovereignty lands in areas where no bulkhead lines were fixed, areas between upland and an established bulkhead line, and beyond an established bulkhead line. The former statutory right of upland riparian owners was repealed by Chapter 57-362 (Section 253.129 Florida Statutes). The types of structures in question were on open trestle or piling, not in the category of coastal structures such as revetments or solid groin fills which were regulated by state permit, and permission would be subject to compliance with local zoning ordinances and the usual requirement of U. S. Engineer's permit which basically related to navigation.

The Director recommended that applications for simple docks for private, non-commercial use, a convenience facility for access by the upland riparian owner to navigable water, be approved at the staff level where no infringement on public or private rights was apparent, and without requirement of any bulkhead line or payment of fee.

Other types of structures were described as (1) docks with houses on the piling supports, (2) commercial fishing docks and piers, (3) commercial fishing docks with open or enclosed boat slips, marina, concessions, boat rental and storage facilities, and (4) industrial or commercial shipping docks and facilities, and Mr. Ferguson pointed out that the last three in particular constitute a conversion of public water and sovereignty bottoms for private use and profit. As to "4", the fixing of pierhead lines by the U. S. Engineers was desirable, and where not so fixed by the Engineers, bulkhead lines and purchase of the submerged land might be in the public interest. He mentioned several pending applications for structures extending beyond the established bulkhead line, suggesting that the applicants should file with the Trustees approval of the local authorities to the deviation, or amend the bulkhead line, in addition to the permit from the U. S. Engineers.

The Trustees discussed the matter, and heard from parties whose applications are described hereafter, namely, George E. Carroll for Naples Yacht Club in Collier County, and Leon Whitehurst and George Bender, Sr., for Homeport Marina, Inc., in Pinellas County. It was suggested that where no concrete objections were made and the applicants had secured approval of city or county and U. S. Engineers, the Trustees should consider pending applications favorably; however, rather than make exceptions in specific cases, it was decided that policy should be established for the future to maintain the continuity between local control and Trustees' control.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the staff to process applications for permits, along with the U. S. Engineers permits, for simple docks in navigable waters for private, non-commercial use where no infringement on public or private rights was apparent, with approval of local governing body and without requirement of any bulkhead line or fee. Also, the Trustees approved the following regulatory policy for issuance of permits for larger structures, commercial docks, and those extending beyond the bulkhead lines: in addition to the usual U. S. permit being secured, the applicant should supply requested information to the Trustees, file report showing no protest to proposed construction by adjoining owners, furnish resolution from the county (or other local body having jurisdiction) approving the structure and approving any deviation from or projection beyond an established bulkhead line, for \$100.00 processing fee, the applications for larger constructions to be presented to the Board which in some cases might require fixing of bulkhead lines or purchase of the bottoms proposed to be used.



COLLIER COUNTY: George E. Carroll, on behalf of Naples Yacht Club, requested approval of the club's plan for a dock facility in Naples Bay, beyond the established bulkhead line and outward from a parcel of land in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East purchased from the Trustees in October under File No. 494-11-253.12. He stated that the property was zoned for the yacht club, plans for the proposed dock had been cut back and modified after discussion with the Trustees' Director, would not affect navigation or congest the city facilities, would not result in erosion or damage to contiguous property owners. He said adjacent owners had no objections to the dock, which was a necessary facility for use of the club members, that the applicant would be bonded against damage to others as suggested by the Director, and he urged approval and offered \$100.00 for permit.

Mr. Ferguson pointed out that the dock appeared reasonable and necessary for operation of a yacht club, but it extended beyond the bulkhead line; therefore, he had recommended the fixing of a policy by the Trustees.

In line with the policy established on this date, the Trustees approved permit, for \$100.00 processing fee, conditioned that the applicant furnish resolution of approval from City of Naples and file written consent from adjacent riparian owners.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Leon Whitehurst and George Bender, Sr., representing Homeport Marina, Inc., applied for permit to construct commercial marina and dock facilities in Smith's Bayou on St. Joseph's Sound near Ozone, Florida, north of Minnow Creek, on submerged bottoms adjacent to their upland property described as Lots 1 through 9 inclusive, and Lots 17 and 18, Block "B", Grand Bay, Florida, lying and being in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 11, Township 28 South, Range 15 East. Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority granted dredging permit No. D03 to the applicant on August 27, 1959.

Mr. Whitehurst stated that the area was zoned for business, all dredged material would be placed on existing upland with no filling or solid construction, navigation would be improved, he understood that the U. S. Engineers had notified adjacent owners, and Engineers' approval was awaiting recommendation of Trustees, in the usual procedure.

Mr. Bender, president of Homeport Marina, explained the increasing need for boating facilities, the investment of \$50,000 in this vacant, swampy land, and how his commercial project would benefit the area. Mr. Larson recommended favorable consideration, as he felt the development would be good.

The Director pointed out that the project extended beyond the bulkhead line, and maps were examined by the Board. It was suggested that applicant secure from the County Authority approval of the deviation from the bulkhead line.

In line with the policy established this date, the Trustees approved permit for the dock and marina, for \$100.00 processing fee, conditioned that the applicant file consent in writing from the county to the proposed construction and the extension beyond the bulkhead line, and file report with the Trustees showing that adjoining owners made no protest.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permits to (1) Mrs. M. A. Hottt for installation of three groins with \$1,000.00 bond, and (2) to Condra Development Company for one groin with \$350.00 bond, all in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the two permits, as recommended by the Director.

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COLLIER COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permit to Mooring Development Company of Canada, Ltd., for construction of jetties at Doctors Pass, with surety bond in the sum of \$50,000.00, all in accordance with recommendation of Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the permit as recommended by the Director.

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GULF COUNTY: With reference to application of Neal Lumber and Manufacturing Company for quitclaim of accretion to Government Lot 5 of Section 17, Township 4 South, Range 9 West, in the margin of Dead Lakes, on November 24 the Trustees directed that the land be appraised and report brought back to the Board.

Mr. Ferguson advised that the two appraisals obtained reported timber value very small, approximately \$400.00 but would cost that much to remove, one appraiser reported value of land \$3.00 per acre and the other reported no value unless filled at great expense. He recommended issuance of quitclaim for the sum of \$2,000.00 covering the area above normal high water westerly of the meander of Government Lot 5, North of Chipola Cut-Off River, upon which there is standing timber, bounded Westerly by the open waters of Chipola River and Dead Lakes, subject to right of way of State Road S-22-A.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the Director's recommendation as the action of the Board.

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LAKE COUNTY: Morse and Company of Eustis applied for permit to remove 1,000 cubic yards of fill material from Lake Eustis within the area riparian to Government Lot 2 of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, and Fractional NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 19 South, Range 26 East, Lake County, to be used for improvement of said uplands. Approval of dredging in Lake Eustis had been received from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, and the Director recommended permit at the usual charge of \$75.00 plus \$50.00 for cost of the material.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the Director's recommendation as the action of the Board.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: On July 14, 1959, the Trustees authorized issuance of temporary spoil easement to Florida Inland Navigation District covering a 25-acre parcel in Lake Wyman at Boca Raton and a 2.96-acre parcel of Ratonas Lagoon bottom land. The Director requested authority to correct the minutes from temporary to perpetual spoil easement, to comply with requirements of the U. S. Engineers, and he explained that in such easements fee title remained in the state and when the area had served its purpose, it would be released to the state.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual spoil easement and authorized the requested change in the Minutes of July 14, 1959.

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PASCO COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved assignment by Howard A. Burkland to Sumner S. Sollitt of undivided one-half interest in purchase contracts numbered 22179, 22180, 22181, 22182 and 22291, the Director having reported that each contract was in good standing and included executed acceptance of contract obligations by the assignee.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Wood and Scheb, attorneys for Spencer A. Miller, Jr., et al, the grantees in Trustees Deed No. 21665 dated November 8, 1957, applied for corrective deed to correct an error in description in the original deed (caused by error on the original survey plat submitted by the applicant), wherein "the south line of said SW $\frac{1}{4}$ " should have been "the south line of said NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of corrective deed as requested, for handling charge of \$10.00.

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CAPITOL CENTER: The Director requested that entry in the minutes be authorized, for auditing purposes, approving purchase of the Jefferson B. Cochran property, in T. C. Lot 132, Lot 133, O.P., Tallahassee, consummated May 18, 1959, at \$25,000.00, details of the purchase having been handled by the Attorney General's office.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved entry in the minutes as requested.

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GOVERNOR'S PARK and CAPITOL CENTER: On October 27 the Trustees authorized advertisement for competitive bids and sale of five houses in Governor's Park and four houses in the Capitol Center. Notice of sale was duly published and sale held on December 2, handled by William F. Armstrong, Building Expediter. All houses were sold, high bids aggregating \$4,900.00, as follows:

<u>HOUSE LOCATION</u>	<u>PURCHASE PRICE</u>
Harris, 703 N. Adams Street	\$ 250.00
Wilharm, 717 N. Adams	650.00
Gray, 721 N. Adams	775.00
Cochran, 716 S. Calhoun	1,350.00
Pennington, 303 E. Gaines	375.00
Bird, 716 S. Duval	350.00
M. C. Collins, 711 N. Adams	375.00
Yon, 722 N. Monroe	375.00
Yeager Duplex, 224 W. Gaines	400.00
	<u>\$4,900.00</u>

Mr. Ferguson recommended approval of purchase contracts, bonds required for removal of houses and debris from the lots, and payment of auctioneer's fee and costs of publication of notice.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved recommendation of the Director as action of the Board.

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CAPITOL BUILDING: Without objection, the Trustees authorized acceptance of low bid and payment from Trustees' funds for resurfacing hallway and reception room floor of the Attorney General's office.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 739 listing seven regular bids for purchase of lands under the Murphy Act, and also approved issuance of County of Leon Deed No. 256-Corrective to Ferne H. Britt, to correct description of the land conveyed in original deed dated October 5, 1943.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Richard W. Ervin*

ATTORNEY GENERAL - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

*Van H. Ferguson*  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 15, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor, present part time
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of November 24 and December 8, 1959.

LAND SALE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 27-44-253.12. On August 25, 1959, sale to Iva Storm Davis, upland owner who offered \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida containing 0.82 of an acre at Key Vaca, in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, was denied by the Trustees pending further information, in view of an objection raised by an adjoining owner and the fact that no definite development plan was furnished by the applicant.

The area sought, riparian to the applicant's upland, was reduced in size on advice from the staff, and applicant reported it was to be used for improvement and protection of boat basin. The Director recommended that objection be overruled and sale confirmed subject to possible adjustment in price.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees overruled objection and confirmed sale to applicant at price of \$300.00 for the parcel.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: File No. 545-08-253.12. Silver King Estates, Inc., the abutting upland owner, represented by Coulter and Coulter, offered the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre for a tract of sovereignty land in Peace River in Section 28, Township 40 South, Range 23 East, containing 39.35 acres, more or less.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 548-44-253.12. The Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife, of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, the abutting upland owner, requested conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 21, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 20.99 acres, to be used as part of the headquarters site for management of the Great White Heron and National Key Deer Refuges, and in view of the public use and benefit involved, requested the Trustees to establish a minimum sale price. The Director advised that lands in this area had the established value of \$300.00 per acre, and that applicant apparently desired title without limitations.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mayo, and duly adopted, that the tract be offered to applicant for \$300.00 per acre, and if price acceptable, advertised for objections only.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 552-44-253.12. Rimersburg Coal Company, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, applied to purchase 235.6 acres of submerged land lying between applicant's upland property and Jewfish Creek, being a parcel of sovereignty land in Sections 25 and 36, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo.

Information was that the original government survey did not recognize Lake Surprise, which was at least 5 feet deep, and 158.3 acres of sovereign character lying in the lake was patented, conveyed by the Trustees, and now owned by the applicant who desired to reconvey to the Trustees. Title was requested to 235.6 acres with offer of \$255.00 per acre, with applicant reconveying and receiving credit for the 158.3 acres at this price, offering a total consideration of \$19,711.50 for the remainder or 77.3 acres.

The Director recommended that the lake be protected and taken out of private ownership.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the 235.6 acres for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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ORANGE COUNTY: File No. 531-48-253.36. Nelson & Company, et al, upland owners, offered the currently appraised price of \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of permanently reclaimed lake bottom land in Lake Pickett in Sections 4 and 9, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, adjacent to their upland property. The Director recommended conveyance under the usual policy of the Trustees for sale without advertisement of reclaimed lake bottom in this area to adjacent upland owners.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized sale of the parcel applied for without advertisement, based on the applicants' offer.

## LEASES

STATE DRILLING LEASES 224-A(Modified) and 248(Modified): Coastal Petroleum Company, represented by Wendell Roberts, requested determination to be made as to footage required under abatement agreement of July 31, 1959, and that same be credited from available surplus as compliance with drilling requirements for Lease 224-A (Modified), the current 5-year drilling term of which expired December 27, 1959, reserving the surplus footage for future credit. Information furnished was that under Lease 224-A(Modified), the 5-year footage was 24,000, and that under authorization of October 12, 1954, surplus footage drilled was held available for allocation to future drilling obligations - currently a surplus of 34,654 feet.

Also, Lease 248(Modified), the current 5-year drilling term of which expired December 19, 1959, required Coastal to drill 12,000 feet, and under authorization of March 6, 1951, wells for discovery of minerals other than oil, gas or sulphur are also to be credited against required footage, provided drilled to 1,000 feet each. Coastal reported having drilled 13 wells to a depth of at least 1,000 feet, but omitting for the time being the one in the municipality of Moore Haven, requested acceptance of 12,000 feet under Lease 248(Modified).

Coastal Petroleum Company asked that, by acceptance of credit as outlined above, each of said leases be extended for further 5-year terms from the respective expiration dates.

The Trustees took the request under advisement, and referred the matter to the Attorney General and Director for study and report to the Trustees.

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STATE DRILLING LEASE 340-340-A: Commonwealth Oil Company, represented by J. L. McCord, asked for extension of 60 days for drilling in the 40-Mile Bend area in Dade County required to begin on January 14, 1960 under Lease 340-340A. He stated that the request was made because of the unavailability of a drilling rig, and that at the end of the 60 days no additional extension would be requested.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees allow the 60-day extension requested on Lease 340-340A, based on representation made that there would be no further request for extension.

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## BULKHEAD LINE

BREVARD COUNTY: On November 24 the Trustees agreed to hear representatives of the Board of County Commissioners concerning bulkhead lines which were rejected on November 3, 1959 for the reason that they were vague and indefinite. As instructed, the Director wrote to the county, with emphasis on the provisions of Section 253.122 which authorize counties and cities to locate and fix offshore bulkhead lines, construed by the staff to mean definite offshore limits with reference to the riparian upland ownerships which extend to the line of mean high water, and that the Trustees should know the approximate extensions for sales and filling which such offshore lines would accommodate, before granting formal approval to the bulkhead line. Copy of the letter, dated December 1, 1959, was sent to W. Turner Wallis & Associates, the county's consultant in the matter.

Mr. Ferguson mentioned a brief conference had with O. D. Peavy, County Zoning Director, who was developing maps on sufficient scale and with which the lines could be clarified, and cited requests for maps defining the line to be made public in the county before final adoption. Chairman Max Rodas of the Board of County Commissioners, Mr. Peavy and Mr. Turner Wallis were heard. Mr. Rodas expressed concern over the possibility of requirement of



a line fixed by engineering descriptions. Mr. Peavy stated that the county had worked a year and that the lines, while appearing vague, did provide basis for definition under procedures for issuance of permits. Mr. Wallis affirmed that the county had fixed general lines which it could regulate by permit procedures, requiring applicants to provide engineering data, that honest differences of opinion existed but might be resolved by further work and additional maps.

Mr. Ferguson cited the uncertainties of bulkhead line locations with reference to margins of marine vegetation, the apparent possibility of closure of bayous and creeks, and that adequate maps had not been supplied. He commended the mapping which the staff had reviewed with Mr. Peavy on December 14 and suggested that the county's lines could be satisfactorily defined for consideration by the Trustees without requirement of any extensive field engineering.

The Attorney General expressed wish to approve the lines in principal, conditioned upon future delineation to eliminate irregularities, but cautioned against the possibility of cases of inequity and uncertainty as to the location of the offshore limits.

Governor Collins suggested that further work on the county's lines be done at the staff level, and that care now might save trouble in the future.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees rescinded their action of November 3 rejecting the Brevard County bulkhead line, took the matter under advisement, and directed Mr. Ferguson to continue working with the county toward preparation of more acceptable bulkhead lines to be presented to the Board at a later meeting.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY COUNTY: J. T. Martin, holder of Treasure-Salvage Lease No. 1191, requested return of \$500.00 cash bond deposit. The lease was authorized June 24, 1958 at rental of \$100.00 per year with \$500.00 surety bond required, but Mr. Martin was unable to furnish bond until June 25, 1959. He stated that no work was done for the past year.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized cancellation of the lease and return of the \$500.00 cash bond deposit.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The City Commission of Pompano Beach on December 9, 1959 adopted Ordinance No. 718 fixing regulations for installation of groins and seawalls and fixing minimum distances from shore line for construction of buildings. City Resolution No. 1833 adopted December 9 referred to the Ordinance as having been developed in close cooperation with the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida, and urged that processing of applications to the Trustees for permits to install coastal structures in the city be expedited as rapidly as possible in recognition of the critical erosion problem in that zone.

The Director, who recently inspected the area of serious erosion at Pompano Beach, commended the action of the city and recommended that it be favorably noted in the minutes.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved the Resolution of the City of Pompano Beach, and instructed Mr. Ferguson to expedite permits for needed coastal structures, in accordance with recommendations from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

BROWARD COUNTY: Sea Castle Groin. City of Pompano Beach by Resolution No. 1834 adopted December 9, 1959 requested Trustees to investigate an alleged violation involving a groin and unauthorized modification by Ernest C. Cassill, owner of the Sea Castle Apartments, and requested that the Trustees direct the State's Attorney or County Solicitor to take appropriate action to secure correction of the violation.

The Director told of his recent on-the-ground inspection of the site, and the history of the case, beginning with issuance in August 1958 of an emergency permit to Mr. Cassill to proceed with installation at his own risk subject to compliance with regulations of Corps of Engineers and Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund; however, applicant failed to comply with subsequent report and recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. Mr. Ferguson reported that efforts to have owner meet conditions to obtain State Permit were unsuccessful, and that citizens and the City Manager had made urgent requests for correction of the bad situation.

On December 14 the owner's engineer by telephone advised the Director that Mr. Cassill would apply for permit for one groin in accordance with recommendations and report of the Coastal Laboratory, and in the event of compliance and correction of the coastal structure, Mr. Ferguson recommended issuance of the permit.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the Attorney General to proceed with appropriate legal action against the owner if necessary, but that if he complied with the Laboratory's recommendations and all conditions were met, State Permit was approved.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the following easements requested by the State Road Department:

- (a) Perpetual easement for additional right of way for North Winter Beach Road (which is State Road 508), said right of way being the South 50 feet of Lots 17 to 23 inclusive, Indian River Farms Company Subdivision, Plat Book 2, page 25, public records of Indian River County, containing 2.65 acres, more or less; and
- (b) Temporary borrow pit easement covering all of Lots 21, 22 and 23 except the south 50 feet thereof of the above described subdivision.

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MONROE COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of substitute dedication instrument to the State Road Department, to make a slight change (as requested by an upland riparian owner) in the description contained in Dedication No. 22225 issued by Trustees August 11, 1959, approved in meeting of August 4, for extension of White Street in Key West.

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MONROE COUNTY: Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered \$100.00 for quitclaim deed under Section 253.12 (1) Florida Statutes 1957, to a parcel of land in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.2 of an acre, more or less, which was filled prior to June 11, 1957 and subsequent to May 29, 1951.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of quitclaim deed to Mr. Cunningham for the amount offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 395-50-253.12. On November 24 the Trustees referred to the Attorney General the request of Arvida Corporation, upland owner represented by Thomas McE. Johnston and W. Turner Wallis, for disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes to a parcel of sovereignty land in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, Boca Raton Lagoon, containing 1.8 acres, more or less. The land had been advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, no objections filed to the sale, but applicant did not offer the appraised price, which was \$63,000.00 for the parcel.

Mr. Wallis explained his position that the parcel was upland omitted land, the meander was erroneous, and showed on map of the area where previous conveyances had been made by the Trustees which he said were a precedent for issuance of the requested quitclaim deed, to resolve for the upland owner any question of adverse interest in the entire tract out to the bulkhead line.

Legal points were discussed, and Attorney General Ervin stated that as he understood it, the purpose of the provision in the bulkhead act was to grant disclaimers to people who had made fills under the old Butler Act, and that where areas had been filled by spoil from the Intracoastal Waterway, the land had been sold.

Comptroller Green made a motion that the Trustees offer to sell the parcel to the applicant at the appraised price, and Mr. Ervin offered amendment to the motion that applicant be given the privilege, if desired, of showing reasons why the appraisal was out of line for the tract in question. Upon vote, the motion was adopted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Dr. H. R. Wilber, on behalf of the Florida Audubon Society, presented request for rededication under the administration of Florida Audubon Society, Florida Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission, and U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, those lands on the northwest shore of Lake Okeechobee which the Trustees did dedicate on December 28, 1938 for the Okeechobee Sanctuary, to be administered by National Association of Audubon Societies for the Protection of Wild Birds and Animals, Incorporated (no longer in existence under that name) with the United States Bureau of Biological Survey (which has been changed to the Fish and Wildlife Service) to take part in preservation under arrangements with the Audubon Society.

Governor Collins thanked Dr. Wilber for being present, and for his great contribution to conservation in Florida, and suggested that the matter be referred to the staff for study before action by the Board.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees referred the request to the Director and Mr. McLane for study and report.

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PUTNAM COUNTY: The Director recommended refund of \$132.50 purchase price paid by John M. Powell and Wilbur Bishop for Deed No. 19645 dated July 6, 1950, describing 13½ acres at Cowpens Lake in Sections 21, 27 and 28 of Township 10 South, Range 23 East. The conveyance was vacated by the Supreme Court in litigation between said grantees and Ralph A. Johnson, who held earlier Deed No. 17853 made in accordance with the U. S. Survey, while the later deed description was based on local topography survey.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director and authorized refund of the purchase price paid for Deed No. 19645, by reason of failure of title.



VOLUSIA COUNTY: Thomas T. Cobb and Walter Mulbry, Jr., present on behalf of Magnolia Development Corporation, requested amendment of conditions set forth in Contracts Nos. 21670, 21671 and 21672, and proposed the following:

1. Immediate payment of the unpaid balance of the three contracts dated November 1, 1957, aggregating \$41,987.41 with interest to date of payment.
2. Waiver of time restriction requiring filling of Tract "C" and one-half of Tract "A" within 5 years, and remainder of Tract "A" and all of Tract "B" within 10 years.
3. Amendment of collateral agreement between Trustees and the Magnolia firm to provide that only the easterly 250 feet of the 500-foot public waterway on the westerly side of the marsh would be required to be dredged by the firm, and to replace the reverter clause with a mandatory requirement enforceable by injunction. The amendment would not affect, however, the dedication of the entire 500-foot strip for public waterway.

Mr. Cobb stated that time restrictions were placed at the time of the competitive sale to assure development of the large submerged and marshy area near New Smyrna Beach, that the sale program was reasonably successful and developers had shown good faith in going ahead with the project, but that it would be difficult and not sound financially to develop faster than the limited market could absorb the lots.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized substitution of injunction for reverter clause as requested, and, feeling that it was not desirable to remove completely the time restriction on development, agreed to extension from 5 to 15 years the time required for filling of Tract "C" and one-half of Tract "A", and extension from 10 to 25 years the time required for filling the remainder of Tract "A" and all of Tract "B"; also, the Trustees directed that upon applicant paying up the contracts, the proper provisions be incorporated in the deeds with respect to the time requirements for filling.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials requested \$40,000.00 from Trustees' funds to meet an emergency situation in Collier-Seminole State Park, where rapid increase in number of campers had made existing sanitary facilities inadequate and immediate improvements necessary, as explained by Roy M. Brooks, fiscal agent for the Park Board, and by John D. Pennekamp in letters to the Trustees.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved grant of \$40,000.00 to the Park Board to be used for the purpose requested.

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CAPITOL CENTER: The Board of Commissioners of State Institutions in meeting on December 8, 1959 authorized contract for engineering and architectural design for a new State Office Building, with the understanding that Trustees would advance funds for payment of fees due under such contract before sale of the revenue certificates.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees ratified the arrangement for payment of fees, sums so advanced to be repaid upon sale of revenue certificates.

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CAPITOL CENTER: The Trustees discussed briefly the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions vs. Tallahassee Bank and Trust Company, et al, condemnation proceedings, the Attorney General advising that he had prepared memorandum showing various appraisals, and he wished to alert the Board that some action would have to be decided soon.

No action was taken.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Request was made for payment out of Trustees' Funds for certain alterations and repair work estimated to cost around \$600.00, in the capitol building office of W. F. Armstrong, Building Expediter.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized payment of up to \$600.00 for the work described.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: The Director requested approval for work to proceed on painting, ceiling and flooring in the State Land Office on low bids as follows:

<u>WORK</u>	<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Painting	P.O. Riley, Inc.	\$138.00
Ceiling Repair	Capital Tile Company	309.50
Flooring (1/8" tile)	Capital Tile Company	303.75

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved proceeding with the work, and payment based on low bids.

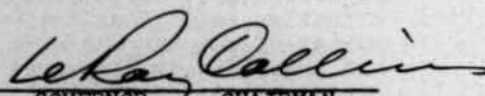
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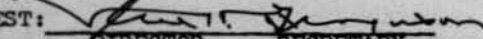
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 740 listing 2 bids for sale of lands under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR      CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR      SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 22, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: Files 516 to 522 inclusive-13-253.12: On November 17, 1959, the Trustees deferred action on the following seven (7) applications presented by James W. Moore, on behalf of upland owners, who offered the appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for a total of 629.3 acres, more or less, of submerged land adjacent to their upland property in Biscayne Bay in Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32 of Township 56 South, Range 42 East, lying within the established bulkhead line for the Ragged Keys area, Dade County Bulkhead Map Sheet 70-Revised approved by Trustees July 28, 1959 as recommended by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and amended by Dade County:

1. File No. 516-13-253.12: Stanley C. Myers, upland owner.  
108.7 acres.
2. File No. 517-13-253.12: Hugh L. Woods, Trustee, upland owner.  
14.8 acres.
3. File No. 518-13-253.12: Florence B. Moore, upland owner.  
35.3 acres.
4. File No. 519-13-253.12: George Stamos and wife, upland owners.  
166.1 acres.
5. File No. 520-13-253.12: Christiansen Corporation, et al, upland owners. 96.7 acres.
6. File No. 521-13-253.12: S. W. O'Neal, Jr., et al, upland owners.  
84.9 acres.
7. File No. 522-13-253.12: Stars Incorporated, upland owners.  
132.75 acres.

Mr. Ferguson reported on discussions had with Dade County officials, Mr. Lawrence Farrow, representative from the U. S. Corps of Engineers, Mr. Gordon Dunn of U. S. Weather Bureau, Dr. Per Bruun of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and others, on his recent trip to Miami. He explained that the Ragged Keys bulkhead line had been fixed, based on the Coastal Laboratory's recommendations, to allow sale of areas large enough to afford protection from hurricane tides and to reduce tides on the mainland. The transcript of the county hearing did not disclose any objections. He recommended advertising for objections only the parcels applied for by the seven applicants.

James W. Moore discussed the history of his clients' applications, made in 1957, the detailed surveys made by the Coastal Laboratory for which his clients paid \$32,000.00, revision of the bulkhead line and purchase applications which were approved by the county engineers and the Coastal Laboratory, and stated that his clients had placed on record agreements to donate whatever was needed for the proposed causeway. He pointed out areas on the map which the county desired for parks, stating that the Ragged Keys bulkhead line and plan was in line with areas desired for public use.

The Trustees examined the maps and questioned Mr. Moore, and while all were not in agreement about sale of such large areas, it was recognized that the location of the bulkhead line was intended to provide protection for the islands and the mainland.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applications presented. Governor Collins felt that the areas applied for were too large, but that advertising would bring in any other objections for consideration by the Board.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 529-44-253.12. Tropical Isles, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by its president, Thomas Gordon, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Cupon Bight in Sections 1 and 2, Township 67 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 25.0 acres, more or less.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections only, based on the offer presented.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 550-44-253.12. Pappas Properties, Inc., the abutting upland owner, offered the established price of \$340.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 14 and 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Conch Key, containing a total of 15.08 acres, more or less.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the offer presented.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: File No. 540-47-253.36. Tom W. Conely, Jr., representing S. J. Davis, the upland owner, applied to purchase two parcels of reclaimed lake bottoms lakeward of the Hancock Meander in Section 32, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, totaling 5.03 acres. Parcel One, containing 0.3 of an acre, was appraised at \$150.00 per acre. Parcel Two, containing 5.0 acres, was appraised at \$50.00 per acre. The Director recommended sale without advertisement, under the usual policy for sale of reclaimed lake bottoms to upland owners.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of deed, without advertisement, conditioned upon applicant agreeing to pay \$300.00 for the two parcels.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of bulkhead lines established by the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County as shown on Sheets 48 to 60 inclusive of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps, covering the line along the mainland from a point two miles north of Black Point to the Monroe County line at or near Mud Point, and around the four Arsenicker Keys offshore from Mangrove Point.

The Director discussed his recent conferences in Miami with Dade County officials, representatives from the U. S. Corps of Engineers, U. S. Weather Bureau, and the Coastal Engineering Laboratory of the University of Florida, and reported that the meeting was well attended. While there appeared to be some prospect that the county would amend some portions of the bulkhead lines, the county requested approval by the Trustees of the lines recommended on this date.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead lines along the mainland, shown on Sheets 48 to 60 inclusive of Dade County Official Bulkhead Maps, as recommended by the Director.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On November 17 the Trustees approved bulkhead line and sale of 97.3 acres of Boca Ciega Bay submerged land to the Florida Presbyterian College, subject to commitment by the college to grant Bayway right of way without cost and subject to adjustment of overlap on the Furen (Ratner) dredging area in Deed No. 20374 which the college purchase would reduce from 500 to 400 feet. Mr. Ratner's attorneys indicated willingness to relinquish 100 feet of the dredging area to accommodate the college purchase, and asked for modification of provision in Deed No. 20245 which required grantee to dredge a 500-foot wide opening. These details were referred by the Trustees to the committee which was working on problems involving the Bayway and the Furen (Ratner) sale.

Attention was directed to memorandum of December 4 from the Director to the Messrs. Ervin, Green and Grotegut, composing the committee, in which Mr. Ferguson had cited need for bulkhead line and modified fill agreement if Mr. Ratner was to fill part of the open water area designated in Deed No. 20245 by reducing the opening from 500 to 400 feet.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees agreed to modification of Deed No. 20245 to reduce from 500 to 400 feet the dredged opening connecting with excavated channels required of the grantee, and it was further moved and adopted that the points discussed on this date be referred to the committee working on the Furen sale and Bayway.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BRADFORD COUNTY: Trustees' Funds. Florida Development Commission, represented by T. W. Witherington, Director of Improvement Division, and Ford Thompson, Attorney, requested five-year loan from the Trustees of an amount not exceeding \$100,000.00, at 4½% interest per annum on unpaid balance, to supplement the Commission's available funds, for construction of a warehouse for the Surplus Property Department of the Commission, to be located 2½ miles south of Starke, in Bradford County. Mr. Ferguson advised that no details of plans, total cost, or security had been filed with the Trustees' office.

Mr. Witherington explained the surplus property operation and facilities, the need and plans for the warehouse building, and Mr. Ford explained that Trustees' funds would be protected and the money would be repaid monthly or semi-annually as the Trustees prefer, within 5 years or less.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin, and adopted, that a committee of the Trustees, composed of Comptroller Green and Treasurer Larson, work with the Development Commission staff and bring a report to the Board at a later date.

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BREVARD COUNTY: The United States, through the Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, desired to terminate Lease No. 1250 issued June 2, 1959 covering 11.48 acres of submerged land in Section 1, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, for rhombic antenna site, Cape Canaveral Missile Test Annex. Formal lease cancellation instrument was furnished by Chief, Real Estate Division of U. S. Engineers, to be executed by the Trustees.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized cancellation of Lease No. 1250 as requested by the United States.

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MONROE COUNTY: L. M. Haskins, holder of Sand Lease No. 1172, requested approval, by executed formal instrument, of assignment of said lease in favor of DesRocher Sand Co., Inc. Mr. Ferguson advised that the proper form of assignment, accompanied by executed acceptance of lease provisions and covenants by the assignee, had been filed.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the assignment and directed that new bond be furnished by the assignee.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of assignments of Contract No. 21842(93-52) by Thomas Joseph Constantine, purchaser, to Lloyd Phillips as Trustee, and by Lloyd Phillips as Trustee to J. W. Rowe as Trustee. Acceptance of contract provisions and covenants had been duly executed by J. W. Rowe as Trustee.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the assignments as recommended by the Director.

TRUSTEES AS STATE EROSION AGENCY: At the suggestion of the Attorney General, the Trustees' staff had prepared a data sheet concerning the preparation and filing of applications to the Trustees for establishment of approved erosion control projects whereby special erosion districts, municipalities, counties, state and federal agencies might contract with the Trustees for participation in cost by Trustees on a matching basis, as contemplated by Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957 (Section 253.65 Florida Statutes), which allowed Trustees to participate up to 50% of total cost of approved projects for erosion control work, using surplus funds limited to \$300,000.00 maximum, which under the wording of the Act appeared to be all the Trustees could expend in the entire state. Mr. Ferguson stated that the data sheet dated December 21, 1959, incorporated recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, and copies had been distributed to the Trustees.

The Board felt that such works would be appropriate uses of Trustees' funds, and there was discussion of the intent of the Act, the available funds, the erosion areas shown on the map prepared by Dr. Bruun, and need for assistance in setting up criteria for applications, and formation of policy particularly with reference to public and private areas of erosion. It was believed that such projects would be very costly, and that the next Legislature might provide more funds.

The Trustees gave preliminary approval to the data sheet prepared by the staff, and directed that further study be made along the lines discussed.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The Director stated that the City of Pompano Beach was preparing application for an approved erosion control project under Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957 (Section 253.65 Florida Statutes). He directed attention to a map prepared by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory which indicated Pompano Beach as a critical erosion area where the need for constructive control measures was urgent, and stated that the Laboratory had prepared report on the Pompano Beach area. The expense of preparing application would be borne by the city, and would include engineering details.

There was not any appreciable amount of uncommitted Trustees' funds which could be classed as "surplus", however the Trustees considered that the acute need for constructive control measures appeared to merit state participation and that this was an appropriate use of Trustees' funds.

The matter was taken under advisement until receipt of the application from the City of Pompano Beach.

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BROWARD COUNTY: The Director recommended approval for protective measures at twenty-six (26) existing groins listed by the City of Pompano Beach on attachment to letter of December 17, 1959 from City Manager James S. Hughes, as requiring placement of rubble against vertical walls to prevent further erosion, in accordance with recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. He explained that this was only constructive protection, and suggested that in this case no individual permits or fees be required, the work to be done at the request of and under the supervision of the city, and certified copy of the minutes authorizing this work would be furnished the city.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the protective measures requested by the City of Pompano Beach, to be supervised by the city in accordance with Coastal Laboratory's recommendations.



CAPITOL CENTER: State Office Site. At the meeting November 24, the Director was instructed to advise the City of Tallahassee that the Trustees desired to acquire title to the block bounded by Gaines, Adams, Bloxham and Duval Streets. In August 1958 an exchange was made whereby the Trustees conveyed to the city the Brown, Moore, McCallister and Modern Homes properties representing a total of \$122,755.20. The city conveyed other properties to the Trustees representing a city investment of \$103,600.00 leaving the sum of \$19,155.20 due the Trustees. Subsequently the city acquired the remainder of the block at a cost of \$65,675.96, less a salvage credit of \$125.00, leaving a net expenditure of \$65,551.96 by the city, which, added to the \$122,755.20, gave a total of \$188,306.16 subject to credit of the \$19,155.20 due the Trustees, the net total for reimbursement of the city for the entire block being \$169,150.96.

Under agreement with the State, the city was obligated to spend not less than the total amount of \$169,150.96 for acquisition of the slum area properties known as Smokey Hollow. It was agreed that the Trustees would proceed to purchase the parcels in the condemnation suit, identified as properties of the Church of God, Wesson and Lively, Myers, and the estate of John C. Riley, at appraised price, with the understanding that the city would pay the difference of \$72,272.00 between appraisal figure and condemnation figure, the Trustees to pay attorneys' fees and other costs.

Mr. Terry Lee had met with the City Commission and stated that the city was very cooperative, but asked to be allowed to put the \$72,272.00 amount in its 1960 budget, because of extraordinary expenses the city had incurred this year for drainage work. Governor Collins suggested that Comptroller Green work with the City Commission on details of the transaction.

The Trustees discussed other capitol center property, and motion was made by Mr. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, that the State Road Department be requested to proceed with plans to complete acquisition of the block south of the Holland Building, and negotiate with the Trustees with reference to exchange and credit for a parcel east of the Capitol Building.

Attorney General Ervin said he thought the state should not enter into any further condemnation proceedings for capitol center property.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees authorize purchase of the properties under the condemnation suit, identified above, with the understanding that the city, according to agreement, pay the amount above the appraised price and use the entire amount of \$169,150.96 for acquisition of the Smokey Hollow properties, also, that the Trustees pay the chargeable expenses in connection with this block transaction; and the Trustees appointed Mr. Green to work with the city, following the position taken by the Trustees in carrying out details of payment, all legal details to be subject to approval by the Attorney General.

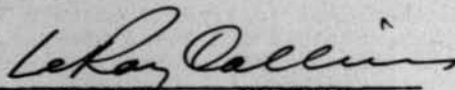
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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

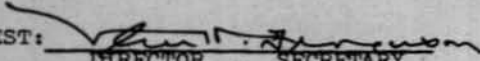
PUTNAM COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of quitclaim deed, subject to the same reservations as in original Putnam County Murphy Act Deed No. 106 dated September 16, 1940, to the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 23 East. Information was that the "NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  except 3 acres Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 23 East" was conveyed in the said deed to Leonard W. Diamond, who now requested quitclaim deed to the entire NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said section since the 3 acres excepted cannot be located and still remain unidentified in Tax Sale Certificate No. 302 of 1913 which embraced the "NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24-11-23".

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the quitclaim deed as requested, upon payment of \$30.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
December 29, 1959

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of December 15, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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LAND SALES ADVERTISED FOR THIS DATE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 432-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre from Cape Sable Corporation, abutting upland owner, represented by Harold Lichtenberg, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 29, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Ramrod Key, containing 33.62 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Cape Sable Corporation, at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 526-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$225.00 per acre from Reuben S. Payne, abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida, in Section 22, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, Big Coppitt Key, containing 1.05 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to Mr. Payne at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 527-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Hudgins and Alfonso, Inc., abutting upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 2, Township 67 South, Range 28 East, southeasterly

and northeasterly of Crab Key, containing 6.78 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received. The State Road Department was notified, and waived any objections to sale of the parcel.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees confirm sale of the parcel to the applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 530-44-253.12. On November 3 the Trustees fixed a price of \$250.00 per acre upon application by Sunshine Development Corporation, abutting upland owner, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., for a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4 in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Cadwalader Woodville, Jr., protested sale on grounds that it would be detrimental to values in the area and might damage his property, which objections were not considered sound by the Trustees' staff.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees overrule the objections and confirm sale of the parcel to Sunshine Development Corporation at the established price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 535-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$350.00 per acre from Key Largo Development Company, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for two parcels of submerged land in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing a total of 7.2 acres, more or less. The parcels were advertised in the Coral Tribune and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

The Director recommended that sale be deferred, in view of a question of property lines in the area and protests filed to the sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred sale of the parcels for further study by the staff.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 536-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from C. M. Schimmelman, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 11, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 1.85 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to Mr. Schimmelman, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 538-44-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$250.00 per acre from Ramrod Investments, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land located westerly of and adjacent to Government Lots 2 and 7, in Section 32, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Ramrod Key, containing 2.42 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicant, at the established price of \$250.00 per acre.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 435-50-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered application from Anna Price, et al, abutting upland owners represented by George H. Butler, for purchase of two parcels of sovereignty land in Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line. Applicant offered the appraised price of \$1,835.24 per acre for Parcel 1, containing 10.44 acres, more or less, and the appraised price of \$1,437.66 per acre for Parcel 2, containing 6.16 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received. Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District waived objection to the sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the two parcels to the applicant, based on the offer of the appraised prices.

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**ST. JOHNS COUNTY:** File No. 483-55-253.12. On November 17 the Trustees considered offer of \$3,500.00 from Nile Corporation, represented by John H. Patterson, for a tract of accretion, 239 acres, more or less, attached at north end to applicant's upland and lying north of a division line agreed upon by applicant and Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials. On November 17 the Trustees authorized dedication of that part of the accretion requested by the Park Board, approximately 183 acres, and approved advertisement for objections only of the sovereignty tract applied for by Nile Corporation, which was part of Conch Island between Matanzas Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, in unsurveyed parts of Sections 9, 15 and 16, Township 7 South, Range 30 East. The tract was advertised in the St. Augustine Record, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office, and no protests to sale were received.

Information was that the area accreted in recent years, the zone was unstable and would require costly protective measures, that the sale did not involve filling of submerged land, and that the applicants had offered the appraised price of \$62.50 per acre but Mr. Patterson was present to request reduction in price.

Mr. Patterson explained his client's position, but the Trustees were not agreeable to sale at less than the appraised value, and price of \$15,000.00 for the parcel was agreed to. Also, the applicant was requested to disavow by suitable instrument any claim to any area south of said division line.

Upon motion, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the advertised parcel for \$15,000.00, subject to receipt of disclaimer from applicant to the Trustees to any area lying south of the division line agreed to on October 5, 1959 by the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials and the applicant.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** Bulkhead Line and Sale. File No. 487-52-253.12. William F. Carver and wife, upland owners, represented by Skelton and Willis, requested approval by the Trustees of a bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority on November 12, 1959, for Mr. Carver; and offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre was made for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Anclote River in Section 11, Township 27 South, Range 15 East, lying northerly of and abutting Tract "D" of Chesapeake Point No. 2, Plat Book 24, page 32, Pinellas County records, containing 1.65 acres, more or less, in the City of Tarpon Springs, purchase application having been approved by

the Authority on November 12, also. Transcript of the county hearing showed no objections to bulkhead line or purchase, which was advertised by the Authority for sale on November 24 but all necessary information was not filed in Trustees' office until December 21. The City of Tarpon Springs by Resolution No. 871 approved the application.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority and confirm sale to Mr. and Mrs. Carver at the appraised price.

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#### LAND SALES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION

DADE COUNTY: File No. 439-13-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees deferred action on application of Rosalie and Geraldine Wolfe, abutting upland owners, who offered the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre for 1.44 acre parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, within established bulkhead line. Protest to sale had been filed, and the Director pointed out that the subdivision plat dedicated to use of lot owners Coral Drive, extension of which was included in proposed purchase.

The applicant proposed to protect Coral Park Subdivision lot owners by a reservation suggested to be included in the deed, for easement for access to Biscayne Bay, thereby carrying out the dedication on the 1913 subdivision plat. Mr. Ferguson advised that Coral Drive was not dedicated as a public street.

The Governor suggested that the submerged land adjacent to the drive should be reserved for public use.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred action to allow applicants to take the matter up with the city.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 440-13-253.12. On October 13 the Trustees deferred action on application of Iris Ann Savage, abutting upland owner, who offered the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre for 1.1 acres of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 31, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, within established bulkhead line. Included in this application, also, was submerged land adjacent to Coral Drive.

The applicant proposed to protect Coral Park Subdivision lot owners by a reservation suggested to be included in the deed, for easement for access to Biscayne Bay, thereby carrying out the dedication on the 1913 subdivision plat. Mr. Ferguson advised that Coral Drive was not dedicated as a public street.

The Governor suggested that the submerged land adjacent to the drive should be reserved for public use.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred action to allow applicants to take the matter up with the city.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

COLLIER COUNTY: Bulkhead Line. File No. 542-11-253.12. Marco Development Corporation, abutting upland owners, represented by Hixon and Hixon, requested approval of bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Collier County on September 9, 1958, along the easterly limit of the navigable channel connecting Collier Bay with Big Marco Channel, extending from an intersection with a westerly prolongation of the north line of Lot 1, Block 1, Amended Plat of Collier City, Marco Island, Plat Book 1, Page 58,

Collier County records, to a point of intersection with a westerly prolongation of the south line of the Carrier property as recorded in Deed Book 53 at page 195, to lie not less than 30 feet northeasterly from and paralleling the easterly limit of the existing channel. There were no objections at the local hearing, and the Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line.

Also, Marco Development Corporation offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Collier Bay in Section 5, Township 52 South, Range 26 East, containing 1.87 acres, more or less, within this bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line fixed by Collier County, and authorized advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for by Marco Development Corporation, subject to applicant offering \$2,500.00 for the parcel.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 443-50-253.12. West Investment Company, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber and Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to two areas in West Palm Beach in Section 9, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 20.103 acres, more or less, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Section 9, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting parcels in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 26.010 acres, at the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 26.010 acre parcel subject to applicant offering \$1,500.00 per acre for the land.

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#### LEASES

**STATE DRILLING LEASE NO. 248 (Modified):** On December 15 the Trustees referred to the Attorney General and Director for study and report the matter of Coastal Petroleum Company's report showing the 5 year drilling requirement for the period ending December 19, 1959, to be 12,000 feet, and that 12 wells had been drilled each to a depth not less than 1,000 feet during the 5-year term, for minerals other than oil, gas or sulphur. Under authorization of the Trustees March 6, 1951, such wells were provided for and same to be credited against required footage. Wendell Roberts, for Coastal Petroleum Company, requested acceptance of the 12,000 feet drilled as compliance with the 5-year drilling requirement for Lease 248(Modified) and that the footage drilled should operate to extend the lease for a further 5-year term as provided for in authorization of March 6, 1951.

The Director said that requirements as to completed drilling at a thirteenth well had been complied with, including approval of the municipality.

The Trustees heard report from Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, on background of various oil leases, on pending litigation, and he referred to the Trustees' resolution of March 23, 1954 where the Trustees clarified their position as to minerals included in oil leases. It was stated that since the early oil leases, which had been entered into to encourage activity in exploration, there had been changes, amendments, misunderstandings, concessions to one company and another, and Mr. Larson suggested that it might be well to have the oil leases and records looked into carefully by a competent attorney and researcher.

With reference to the instant request for credit, Mr. McLane stated that terms of Lease No. 248(Modified) for 5-year extension had been legally complied with, and Mr. Ferguson agreed as to factual requirements furnished to the Trustees' office.



Without objection it was agreed that credit for footage be granted in accordance with the action taken by the Trustees on March 6, 1951, but with the distinct understanding that the present action should be without prejudice to pending litigation between Coastal and the Trustees and should in no manner be construed as receding from the position of March 23, 1954, relating to the minerals included within said leases.

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SHELL LEASES: Radcliff Gravel Company, Inc., holder of Shell Leases Nos. 753 and 1207, requested consent of Trustees for assignment of the leases to Security National Bank of Greensboro, North Carolina, as security for an issue of First Mortgage and Ship Preferred Mortgage Notes by the Radcliff firm joining with Southern Oyster Shell Milling Corporation and its other subsidiaries.

The Trustees agreed that as long as good and sufficient bond was in effect, and lease rentals paid, proposed assignment would be acceptable.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved assignment as proposed by Radcliff Gravel Company, Inc., subject to approval of the instrument of consent by the Attorney General and Comptroller Green.

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MISCELLANEOUS

CLAY COUNTY: On November 3 the Trustees deferred action on request of Florida Board of Forestry for concurrence of Trustees in conveyance to Union Bag-Camp Paper Corporation of 7 acres in S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 32, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, which had been donated for a tower site but not used or required.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, unanimously adopted, the Trustees formally concurred in conveyance of the 7-acre parcel to Union Bag-Camp Paper Corporation as approved by the Forestry Board.

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ESCAMBIA AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: State Road Department requested two temporary easements for dredging on submerged lands, sand bars, fills, islands, and other lands in Santa Rosa Sound, lying north of Santa Rosa Island, for use in connection with construction of State Road No. S-399, Sec. 48530-601, as follows:

- (1) In Escambia County: 3.21 acres, more or less, in Township 2 South, Range 27 West.
- (2) In Santa Rosa County: Two parcels, containing 9.18 acres and 82.68 acres, more or less, lying south of Sections 20 and 21, Township 2 South, Range 26 West.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the two dredging easements, as requested by the State Road Department.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Florida Power and Light Company applied for easement to install seven stub bracing poles on Tracts 16 and 17 in N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 4, Township 32 South, Range 39 East, and on Tract 17 in S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 4, Township 32 South, Range 39 East, Indian River Farms Company Subdivision, to enable company to relocate pole line made necessary by road improvements. Offer of \$10.00 per stub pole was made, in line with payment made to private owners.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized easement to Florida Power and Light Company as requested, upon payment of \$70.00

BRADFORD COUNTY - Trustees' Funds: On December 22, the Trustees appointed a committee, composed of Mr. Green and Mr. Larson, to work with the Florida Development Commission staff and report to the Board on the Commission's request for a five-year loan from the Trustees of an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for construction of a warehouse for the Surplus Property Department, on a 30-acre site donated by Bradford County and the City of Starke.

T. W. Witherington and Ford Thompson were present, on behalf of the applicant.

Mr. Larson filed with the Trustees report of the committee, which found that the loan was for a beneficial state purpose that warranted use of Trustees' funds, the revenues and assets securing the loan were adequate to assure repayment, and recommendation was in favor of granting the application of the Development Commission to borrow an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, to be repaid within a period of time not to exceed 5 years, with interest at the rate of 4½% per annum on the unpaid balance.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees granted loan not to exceed \$100,000.00 to Florida Development Commission, under conditions and specifications outlined in the committee report.

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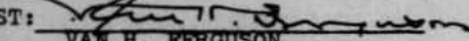
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 741 listing 2 bids for sale of lands under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
VAN H. FERGUSON  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 5, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, in the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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## LAND SALE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 548-44-253.12. On December 15 the Trustees considered application from the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, the abutting upland owner, for purchase at a minimum price a tract of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 21, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, containing 20.99 acres, more or less, at Big Pine Key, to be used as part of headquarters site for management of the Great White Heron, National Key Deer and Key West Refuges.

Robert E. Lines of the Real Estate Division, Department of Interior of United States, appeared to request that the price, which the Trustees had indicated should be \$300.00 per acre, the appraised value, should be reconsidered in recognition of the public use and benefit anticipated. Mr. Lines displayed map of the area, pointing out U. S. wildlife management areas owned and leased from private owners, and the parcel applied for was described as mud flats and water bottoms adjacent to small upland area owned by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees approve sale of the parcel requested for \$100.00 for use as explained, deed to contain reverter clause that the tract would revert to the state if not used as the proposed headquarters site.

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### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 534-44-253.12. Carlton F. Adams, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Black Water Sound in Section 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.42 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for objections only, based on the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 562-44-253.12. Dr. Alvaro Vargas, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 563-44-253.12. J. W. Taylor, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$350.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 5 and 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 1.71 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 564-44-253.12. Fred E. Sanford, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Sections 12 and 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on the offer submitted.



PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 511-50-253.12. Mugwump, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.361 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Section 27, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.713 of an acre, for which offer of the appraised price of \$2,995.50 per acre was made.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and desired further information regarding riparian rights of owners separated from the water by Flagler Drive.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action until a later date.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 546-58-253.12. The City of Sarasota, abutting upland owner, offered \$200.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, containing 16.14 acres within the established bulkhead line.

Mr. Ferguson explained that the city desired fee title rather than dedication of the land, however the Trustees expressed the preference to convey the land for public purposes.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, unanimously adopted, the Director was asked to notify the City of Sarasota that the Trustees would be willing to grant the land for less consideration, conditioned on its use for public purposes, with such restrictive clause in the deed.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: The Trustees were requested to tentatively approve a proposed bulkhead line in Lemon Bay now under consideration by the county, which would define a reduction in area for which an application to purchase had been pending more than a year. This would modify a bulkhead line previously established, and the county desired expression from the Trustees before proceeding to advertise and hold public hearings.

West Coast Inland Navigation District recently defined its requirement of a major part of the presently contemplated extension as spoil area for deposit of material to be dredged from the waterway. Applicant proposed to enter into agreement with the District to use all material which would be deposited within the suggested bulkhead line, which appeared to be a desirable plan for the District as well as the developer.

The Trustees tentatively approved the proposed bulkhead line shown on the map submitted, as recommended by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

CLAY COUNTY: Assistant District Public Works Officer, U. S. Naval Base at Charleston, South Carolina, requested disclaimer under Section 253.129 covering 3.67 acres filled during 1946 and 1947, in the St. Johns River at the U. S. Naval Reservation. The land was conveyed to U. S. Navy by deed authorized February 26, 1957 with reservation of one-half of petroleum and three-fourths of minerals, and except for the reservation, the deed fully divested the Trustees; however, the applicant requested the disclaimer under Section 253.129 to clear the title.

Upon motion by Commissioner Mayo, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer as requested for handling charge of \$10.00.

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DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permit to Miami Beach Kennel Club, Inc., for installation of two groins in accordance with report and recommendation of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, requiring surety bond in sum of \$5,000.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit in accordance with the Coastal Laboratory report, as recommended.

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DADE COUNTY: By Resolution No. 31453 dated December 9, 1959, the City of Miami requested dedication in perpetuity for street purposes of the bayward extension of Northeast 22nd Street, being a 50-foot strip 450 feet in length extending into the waters of Biscayne Bay to the established bulkhead line. The strip was northerly of and abutting a parcel of submerged land conveyed into private ownership by Trustees' Deed No. 19080 dated August 27, 1945.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication of the parcel as requested by the City of Miami.

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MONROE COUNTY: On November 24 the Trustees ordered that appraisals be obtained covering NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, owned by Trustees (shown 40 acres on old U. S. Survey but only 33.8 acres by actual recent survey), sought by J. G. McKay as Trustee for El Badabob Liquidation Trust in exchange for six parcels which were surveyed and patented as land by the United States, aggregating 90 acres, more or less, but which were actually submerged lands in Tarpon Basin, Grouper Creek, and Newport Bay at Key Largo.

Appraised value of the Trustees' 33.8 acres was \$6,760.00, of the 90 acres was \$9,000.00, and El Badabob proposed to make an even exchange in order to obtain title to the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26-61-39, which was partially enclosed by their other lands, and proposed to put back in the state title to the six parcels which the Director said were not desirable locations for development, the parcels in Tarpon Basin and Grouper Creek being adjacent to the Everglades National Park, and the other in the middle of Newport Bay.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, the Trustees agreed to the exchange proposition on the basis of payment by applicant of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for the 33.8 acres and acceptance of the six parcels offered in exchange.

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BROWARD COUNTY: C. K. Davis, member of Interim Beach Erosion Committee authorized by 1959 Legislature, speaking on behalf of the Committee and a group of Broward County municipalities, requested that the Trustees contribute \$15,000.00 to match a like amount to be raised by the local governmental interests, and the Federal Government to match the total of Trustees and local contributions, for cost of studies by the U. S. Army Engineers on beach erosion for all of Broward County. Act of Congress provides that only if these studies are made by federal agency will federal funds for erosion control works program be available.

Mr. Davis said that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory had made studies of some critical areas, that his Committee had sought assistance from Dr. Per Bruun, from Beach Erosion Board in

Washington, from other engineers, and that it was very desirable that study be made of the whole of Broward County rather than for segments. He explained features of the federal assistance program and it was stated that since army engineers regulate navigable waters and control the velocity of waters in the inlets, it would be best for these studies of erosion control to be made by the federal agency.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson, and adopted, that the Trustees participate in financing of one-fourth of the cost of the study up to \$15,000.00 as the state's share of the project, subject to coordination and approval of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and subject to approval of the Attorney General as to any necessary agreements to carry out the purposes of this authorization.

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PERMITS FOR DOCKS, PIERS, MARINAS: William S. Wightman, attorney representing marine contractors of Pinellas County, requested modification of requirements established in meeting of December 8, 1959, for construction of simple, private docks. He explained the active system of local regulation in Pinellas County, the hardship which they felt would be caused by the additional state regulations, and he asked for temporary relief to allow continuation under the county procedure, since approximately 300 dock construction workers were now prevented from working by the delay of setting up new requirements.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees ordered a 60-day modification of the Trustees' requirements for construction of simple, private docks which consist of deck with or without rails supported by open trestle or piling, in Pinellas County and such other counties and municipalities which have an engineering staff and established local permit procedures; also, Mr. Ferguson was directed to work with the Attorney General to prepare regulations which would include modified procedure for simple, private, residential docks in counties which have established procedures for local regulation.

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STATE DRILLING LEASE NO. 340-340-A: J. L. McCord, representing Commonwealth Oil Company, holder of Lease No. 340-340-A, requested extension through March 14, 1960 for payment of rental due on December 20, 1959, and for drilling of well to 11,500 feet, due to commence January 12, 1960 under Agreement between Trustees and Commonwealth Oil Company and Coastal Petroleum Company dated February 11, 1959. Mr. McCord agreed to pay 6% interest on the deferred rental payment.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to the extension requested, subject to payment by Commonwealth Oil Company of 6% interest on the due rent for the deferred rental period.

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CAPITOL BUILDING: Trustees' Funds. Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded by Treasurer Larson, the Trustees authorized employment of an architect to make a study of space in the capitol building and to prepare preliminary plans for House of Representatives offices, committee rooms, et cetera, under the supervision of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.

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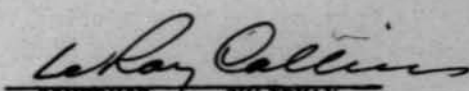
#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296


HAMILTON COUNTY: The State Road Department made application for easement for drainage ditch purposes across Government Lot 1 of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 12 East, for State Road No. 93, Project 32100-2402, covering a parcel containing 0.07 of an acre.



Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual easement to the State Road Department for drainage ditch purposes covering the parcel desired.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 12, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Nathan Mayo	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson                      Director

The Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of December 22 and 29, 1959, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALE

ALACHUA and UNION COUNTIES: Competitive Bids. On November 24, 1959, the Trustees considered offer of \$10.00 per acre from O.F. Allen for purchase of Government Lots 1 and 2, and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 6 South, Range 18 East, containing 189.0 acres, more or less, in Alachua and Union Counties. The land was advertised for objections and competitive bids in the Union County News, Lake Butler, and The Sun of Gainesville, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and an objection to the sale received.

Bids were received by mail from Richard Stickel, \$15.00 per acre, H. C. Nicely, \$20.00 per acre, and when description of the land was called out competitive bidding resulted in high bid of \$58.00 per acre from Thomas S. Miller, as Trustee, for so much of the land as the state could deliver title.

The Director explained that the low, swampy land was accessible only through adjacent privately owned land, and that inasmuch as owners of land in Alachua County claim title to a portion of the area but have not yet submitted proof of ownership, it was recommended that the bids be held for further checking, the records of the Land Office showing patents of the land to the state and no conveyance by the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees directed that bids be held until determination of private rights could be made, and asked the Director to confer with Assistant Attorney General McLane in the matter.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 551-44-253.12. North Shore Bank as Trustees, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered \$150.00 per acre for a parcel of sovereignty land in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 14.0 acres appraised at \$100.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the offer submitted by North Shore Bank as Trustees.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 553-44-253.12. John G. McKay, Jr., as Trustee of El Radabob Liquidation Trust, the abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered \$150.00 per acre for three parcels of sovereignty land, currently appraised at \$100.00 per acre, described as follows: Parcel 1 - 4.0 acres in Section 27, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo; Parcel 2 - 11.4 acres in Section 23, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo; and Parcel 3 - 8.3 acres in Section 6, Township 61 South, Range 40 East, Key Largo, comprising a total of 23.7 acres, more or less.

The applicant proposed to reconvey to the Trustees title to Government Lot 3 in Section 27, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, 14.6 acres of submerged land lying in Newport Bay which it was reported was covered by the normal waters of the tides and would not be desirable for development.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement for objections only of the three parcels applied for, based on the offer submitted. As to the area in Newport Bay proposed to be reconveyed to the state, the Trustees indicated that consideration would be given at a later date.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 566-44-253.12. Edward W. Scudder, Jr., and Richard B. Scudder, abutting owners represented by Worley, Gautier and Dawes, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre, or in this instance the \$100.00 minimum, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.13 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only based on the applicant's offer.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE NO. 833: J. L. McCord, on behalf of Commonwealth Oil Company, holder of Lease No. 833 covering coastal areas in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay and Gulf Counties, requested extension of time for commencement of drilling which, under said lease, should commence January 12, 1960 for a 2½ year period under original lease, with required footage of 6,000 feet.

On October 6, 1959 the Trustees granted to Commonwealth the same suspension of drilling obligations granted to other oil companies in Agreement of August 4, 1959, which provided, among other things, for abatement of drilling requirements in the proportion that the part of the lease area affected by the Tidelands case bore to the total area covered by the lease.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the area on which abatement under Lease No. 833 would apply would be worked out by using available maps and information and following instructions from the Attorney General's office for computing acreage and thereby the ratio to total area leased - which would cut the required footage.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees granted extension to June 30, 1960 of commencement time for drilling under Lease No. 833, and directed that the abatement area be computed, this action subject to United States Supreme Court not having ruled on the Tidelands case prior to June 30, 1960.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: On December 15, 1959 the Trustees authorized perpetual easement to the State Road Department over the South 50 feet of Lots 17 to 23 inclusive, Indian River Farms Company Subdivision, Plat Book 2, page 25, public records. The State Road Department returned the unrecorded easement, stating that their field survey showed that 68 feet was necessary instead of the 50 feet originally requested.

Upon motion by Mr. Mayo, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual easement to the State Road Department covering the 68 feet requested.

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LAKE COUNTY: James Spillers applied for permit to pump 500 cubic yards of sand from bottoms of Lake Gertrude in Lake County, in Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 26 East, to improve upland lots in Sylvan Shores Point Subdivision.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit to Mr. Spillers for a charge of \$100.00, on the basis of the usual \$75.00 fee plus cost of material at five cents per cubic yard.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 277-36-253.12. On October 6, 1959, the Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson, Carl A. Norberg (the applicant), Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane, and Director Ernest Mitts of the State Board of Conservation, to work together to prepare an accurate description for deed to the land sold to Mr. Norberg, within the advertised area and conforming to the mangrove line in the public interest. Composite deed was prepared using description agreed to by all parties, which would convey an additional 32.13 acres of submerged land in Tarpon Bay instead of the 101.53 acres advertised.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve issuance of deed to Mr. Norberg using the agreed description.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: City of Pahokee by Resolution adopted on December 14, 1959 applied for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom land between the 17-foot contour and the U.S. Levee right of way, for use in connection with city water plant. The city owned the adjacent upland Lots A-20 to A-27, and had contract to purchase the remaining 32.16 feet of the adjacent upland.

The Director recommended dedication for municipal purposes with expressed understanding that in the event the 32.16 foot parcel was not acquired in fee simple by the city, dedication of the adjacent reclaimed parcel would be subject to revocation.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication to the City of Pahokee for municipal purposes as recommended by the Director, subject to revocation as to the reclaimed land adjacent to the 32.16 foot parcel if it was not acquired by the city in fee simple.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of corrective deed and corrective disclaimer to correct the spelling of name of grantee in Trustees' Deed No. 22319 and Disclaimer No. 22320, both dated December 2, 1959.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority had forwarded incomplete application of Baywood Associates, Ltd., Kenyon M. Heenan, Sole Agent, to purchase submerged lands in St. Joseph Sound, which was approved by the Authority on December 10, 1959 and was advertised by the county for sale by the Trustees on January 12, 1960.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees directed that application be held pending until complete and in order.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Florida Inland Navigation District applied for permanent spoil easement covering a strip of unsurveyed marsh in Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 29 East, lying west of and adjacent to right of way of Intracoastal Waterway, containing 25.0 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized easement to Florida Inland Navigation District as requested, for use in connection with the waterway.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: Big Ten, Inc., holder of Lease No. 1215 by assignment from the original lessee, James Appell, requested approval of assignment back to Mr. Appell, signed acceptance of terms and conditions of original lease having been filed with the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved assignment of Lease No. 1215 to James Appell as requested.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: James Appell, holder of Lease No. 1215 issued November 1, 1958 for a 15-year term covering Government Lot 1 of Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 29 East, 58.18 acres on old U. S. Survey, being a low island west of North River, offered \$2.00 per acre annually for lease of approximately 375 acres of unsurveyed marsh appurtenant to the government lot, excluding the 25 acres on which spoil easement to Florida Inland Navigation District was approved on this date. The Director advised that the marsh area would be subject to sale to the owner of Government Lot 1 under Section 253.381, and was patented to the state as swamp and overflowed land and no upland was affected by it except the leased government lot.

The Trustees examined map and aerial photograph and noted Pine Island, a spoil area within waterway right of way, which Mr. Appell had once mistakenly thought was in his lease.

Mr. Appell explained his plans to use the area as recreation and fish camp, and that later he desired to purchase all the area, and that collateral assignments would be necessary.

The Trustees were agreeable to the matter of collateral assignments but not to a long-term lease of so much acreage at only \$2.00 per acre; also, they made it clear that an application to purchase any of the leased area would be subject to advertisement and competitive sale, not on negotiated basis, and with no concessions for any improvements made by lessees.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, that the Trustees approve 5-year lease at \$2.50 per acre annual rental, at termination of which term the board would consider selling Government Lot 1 and the appurtenant marsh area at advertised competitive sale, with no negotiations or concessions to be given to lessees.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Tallahassee Junior Museum, holder of Lease No. 1156 on the "Old McMillan House", Lot 231 of Original Plan of Tallahassee, applied for extension of the lease to December 18, 1960.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, that the Trustees approve one-year extension of the lease under same terms and conditions, subject to the Museum maintaining liability insurance covering the operation.

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LAND OFFICE: Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized replacement of two worn venetian blinds in the Land Office, at the bid price of \$44.00 total.


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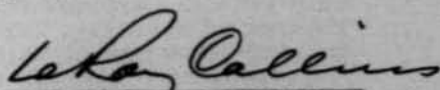
TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase for use in Trustees' office of one steel four-drawer file cabinet, as requested by the Director.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR      CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 19, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, in the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson

Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of January 5, 1960 which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

**DUVAL COUNTY:** File No. 570-16-253.12. The Director recommended for formal approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line established upon request of St. Regis Paper Company by the Board of County Commissioners of Duval County pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes 1957, by Resolution adopted January 27, 1958, the line being located in Dunn's Creek offshore from S<sup>2</sup> of Section 18 and all of Section 23 of Subdivision of John Broward Grant in Section 46, Township 1 South, Range 27 East.

The Trustees examined the map submitted, and upon motion duly adopted, formally approved the bulkhead line fixed by the county.

St. Regis Paper Company, abutting owner represented by John W. Ball, offered the appraised price for a total of 167.0 acres, more or less, of sovereignty land in Dunn's Creek in Sections 18 and 23, a portion of the John Broward Grant, Government Section 46, Township 1 South, Range 27 East, between the mean high water mark of applicant's upland and the bulkhead line established for the area. The Director explained that the appraisal had valued the 103 acres of submerged bottoms at \$50.00 per acre, the 57 acres of marsh land at \$150.00 per acre, and 7 acres of sovereign island at \$500.00 per acre, making a total for the 167 acres of \$17,200.00.

The Trustees examined the map showing the area for probable industrial development, and expressed the opinion that the offer for the island area was acceptable, but that the remainder should be sold at the same price as other recent sales in the vicinity, \$200.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only provided applicant agreed to pay \$500.00 per acre for the 7 acres of sovereign islands and \$200.00 per acre for the remaining 160 acres of submerged and marsh land.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 372-44-253.12. Alexander L. Sochin, abutting upland owner represented by John P. Goggin, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.75 of an acre, more or less.

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize advertisement for objections, based on offer submitted by Mr. Sochin.

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**OKEECHOBEE COUNTY:** File No. 228-47-253.36. Thomas M. Wohl and wife, abutting upland owners represented by T. W. Conely, Jr., offered the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom in Lake Okeechobee in Section 35, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, between the seventeen foot contour and the north right of way of United States Okeechobee Levee and westerly of Taylor Creek area, containing 45.84 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance without advertising, following the usual policy for sale of reclaimed lake bottom in the area, based on the offer submitted by Mr. Wohl.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 561-50-253.12. Irving B. Kirsch, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber and Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in Boynton Beach in Section 15, Township 45 South,



Range 43 East, containing 3.399 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, comprising 0.764 of an acre, more or less, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, for which offer of the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre was made. The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer to the filled area and advertisement for objections only of the submerged parcel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement of the 0.764 acre parcel for objections only, based on applicant's offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 567-50-253.36. Lawrence B. Johnson and wife, abutting upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom of Lake Okeechobee in Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, containing 2.09 acres, more or less. The Trustees examined the map, noting areas which would be offered for competitive bidding at a later time.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance without advertising, following the usual policy, based on the offer submitted by Mr. Johnson.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

BREVARD COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of bulkhead lines established by Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County by Resolution dated December 22, 1959 and delineated on the county map sheets numbered 1 through 162, with the exception of the bulkhead lines on Sheet 70 for the Aspinwall area which were recommended for deferment because of certain objections filed in the Trustees' office. Also, in areas where objections had been filed to lines originally contemplated by the county, no lines were established.

In zones where bulkhead lines were more than one foot offshore from normal high water line, the Director explained that surveys to accurately define distances would be required in case of applications to purchase, but meanwhile the scale distances would serve for planning and control. Most offshore islands and flats for which lines were set did not have a mean high water line, were sovereign in character as well as legal fact, and the edge of growth defining the islands was designated as a practical bulkhead line and was graphically indicated on the maps. In the event of sale of offshore islands, accurate surveys would be required.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead lines recommended by the Director, established by Brevard County by Resolution on December 22, 1959, and shown on the map sheets numbered 1 through 162, excepting the line on sheet 70. Appreciation was expressed to the Board of County Commissioners for making available Mr. O. D. Peavy, County Planning, Building and Zoning Director, who furnished maps and assisted the Trustees' staff in its work on the bulkhead lines.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of bulkhead line established pursuant to Section 253.122 Florida Statutes by the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County by Resolution dated December 15, 1959, for a part of Alligator Harbor offshore from Sections 5 and 6, Township 7 South, Range 1 West, and Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 1 West. The Trustees expressed interest in the fishing and recreation in

this general area, and they were advised that there were no objections to the bulkhead line at the local public hearing, from the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, or from Florida State University Business Manager as to the Oceanographic Institute located near the proposed bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Franklin County in Alligator Harbor.

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MISCELLANEOUS

BAY COUNTY: Lone Star Cement Corporation of Birmingham, Alabama, applied for a commercial dock and loading plant on the Old Wainwright Shipyard Property on the eastern shore of the north arm of St. Andrews Bay.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit to Lone Star Cement Corporation for commercial dock, upon payment of the established fee of \$100.00.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Board of Commissioners of State Institutions requested Trustees to advance funds in an amount of approximately \$12,000.00 in order that an architect might proceed with preparation of plans for State Office Building at Lakeland to house the Second District Court of Appeals and the District Office of the Attorney General, for which the Board of Commissioners had requested the Development Commission to sell revenue bonds not to exceed \$350,000.00 to finance construction.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advance of Trustees' funds in the requested amount, subject to reimbursement from proceeds of sale of the bonds.

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CAPITOL BUILDING: Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Board approved payment of a bill for \$86.00 from Trustees' funds for ceiling repairs in the office of the Attorney General.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

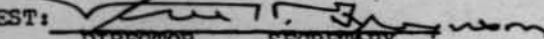
ALACHUA COUNTY: State Road Department requested perpetual easement for right of way across part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, 0.722 of an acre, more or less, for construction and maintenance of State Road S-337, Section 26640-2601.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual easement to the State Road Department as requested.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
January 26, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, in the Capitol Building.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor (Present part time)
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 1960.

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LAND SALES

LEE COUNTY: File No. 537-36-253.12. On November 24 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$50.00 per acre from Jack A. Freeman and Jules Freeman, abutting upland owners represented by Henderson, Franklin, Starnes and Holt, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Island Sound in Sections 16 and 21, Township 45 South, Range 22 East, containing 479.39 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Myers News Press and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Based on requests from the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County and the State Board of Conservation that sale be withheld, and from applicant that sale be deferred for working out satisfactory arrangements, the Director recommended deferment.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on proposed sale until a later date.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 528-36-253.12. On November 24 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre from Allen & Knudsen, on behalf of Lowrie Lumber Company, abutting upland owner, for itself and as Trustee for other upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Caloosahatchee River in Sections 9 and 16, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, containing 0.71 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Myers News Press and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

The Director explained that protest to sale filed by Victor M. Todia was unfounded, being based on a misapprehension. The Trustees examined the map submitted by the applicant.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objection and confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicant at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 539-44-253.12. On November 24 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Theodore Ness and Virginia L. Paterson, abutting upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 35, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Stock Island, containing 2.09 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.



Protest filed by Dave King appeared unsound, based on the information available. The map was displayed and Trustees examined the layout.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objection, confirmed sale to the applicants at the appraised price, and directed that deed be held for thirty days before delivery to allow objector to take legal action if desired.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 499-44-253.12. Frank Hatton, abutting upland owner represented by C. G. Bailey, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Sections 24 and 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 5.2 acres, more or less.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the land for objections only based on the offer submitted.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 575-44-253.12. Department of the Navy, United States, abutting upland owner, applied for two parcels of submerged land in the Bay of Florida southerly of Dredgers Key in an unsurveyed area northerly of the Island of Key West, containing 72.57 acres, more or less, in a zone where price was established at \$425.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the land for objections only, sale to be subject to applicant offering the established price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 568-50-253.12. J. W. Stephens and Josephine L. Williams, abutting upland owners represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.939 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4 lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.126 of an acre for which applicants offered the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.126 acre parcel based on the applicants' offer.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 572-50-253.12. Llwyd Ecclestone, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes of 1957, to an area in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 15.454 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4, lying southerly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the bulkhead line formally approved on this date (see item under "Bulkhead Lines"), containing 16.694 acres, more or less, for which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre. Applicant voluntarily committed himself to remove a filled area lying west of the bulkhead line.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 16.694 acre parcel based on the

applicant's offer, subject to applicant's removal of the portion of filled land outside the bulkhead line being made a provision in the contract.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 573-50-253.12. Murphy Construction Company, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes of 1957, to two areas in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 5.453 acres, and (b) deed to those two parcels of submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4 lying southerly and southwesterly of and abutting the parcels in "a" outward to the bulkhead line formally approved on this date (see item under "Bulkhead Lines"), containing 4.854 acres, more or less, for which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 4.854 acre parcel based on the applicant's offer.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 574-50-253.12. Volk, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under section 253.129 Florida Statutes of 1957, to an area in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.157 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4, lying southwesterly of and abutting parcel in "a" outward to the bulkhead line formally approved on this date (see item under "Bulkhead Lines"), containing 0.764 of an acre, more or less, for which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement for objections only of the 0.764 acre parcel based on the applicant's offer.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** The Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County referred to the Trustees for formal approval a bulkhead line established along the northerly and easterly shore line of Lake Worth by county resolution adopted on January 11, 1960, pursuant to provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes of 1957, for lands in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 42 South, Range 43 East.

The Director advised that at the local public hearing, no objections were made to the proposed bulkhead line. He displayed the bulkhead map and pointed out a filled area lying west of (outside) the bulkhead line which the owner, E. Llwyd Ecclestone, had voluntarily committed himself to remove from the waterway.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line adopted by Palm Beach County by Resolution dated January 11, 1960.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** The Director recommended formal approval by the Trustees of the second and third segments of the county-wide bulkhead lines established by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in meetings on May 14 and June 25, 1959, respectively in pursuance of provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes of 1957. The second segment extended from the south limits of Belleair to the northwesterly right of way line of Welch Causeway, and the

third segment extended from the southeasterly right of way line of Welch Causeway to the north city limits of St. Petersburg. Filed in the Trustees' office were transcripts of the county hearings and plats showing the entire county-wide bulkhead line as established, including the first segment which was approved by the Trustees June 23, 1959.

The county bulkhead maps on Sheets 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 were examined, Mr. Ferguson pointing out portions of the lines, explaining the modifications made by the county to take care of objections at the local hearings and to accommodate drainage, navigability and developments already in place or planned. It was noted that several objections overruled at the local level were requests for further extension of the bulkhead line.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees formally approve the bulkhead lines established by Pinellas County Authority, the second segment as adopted by the county on May 14, 1959, and the third segment as adopted by the county on June 25, 1959.

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DADE COUNTY: At the conclusion of a hearing on December 9, 1958, on the Dade County bulkhead line for Mashta Point, in the Hurricane Harbor area of Key Biscayne, requested by property owners represented by Judge Albert S. Dubbin, the Trustees had directed that Sheets 30 and 30-A of the county bulkhead maps be referred to the Coastal Engineering Laboratory for study and recommendation. Laboratory report dated June 1959 offered three suggested bulkhead lines, one of which, Map 1, showed recommended moderate reshaping of the county's line by extension on the west side and reduction on the north, and this plan evidenced need for a planned relief canal for boating and to avoid piling up of hurricane waters and flooding, water passage in this area having been blocked by a dam. Alternate layouts for bulkhead lines, on Maps 2 and 3 of the June 1959 report, would entail complete revision of the county's bulkhead line and were less desirable to the applicants.

Having found it feasible to accommodate their development plans to Map 1 of the June 1959 report, the applicants employed the Coastal Laboratory to make study for the relief canal, which report dated September 1959, copy furnished Trustees' office, showed recommendations for a canal 100 feet wide, 8 feet deep, with several alternates offered for access from mainland, as well as suggestions for other protective measures.

On January 26, 1960 Dr. Per Bruun of the Laboratory advised the Trustees' office that since there was practically no difference between the bulkhead line suggested by Dade County and the Sheet 1 line in the June 1959 Laboratory report, the Coastal Laboratory saw no reason for the Trustees not to approve the original county line provided relief channel was put through as suggested in various designs, but with minimum width 100 feet about 8 feet at M.L.W., to prevent adverse effect by fill on storm tides in neighboring areas. The Director thereupon recommended approval by the Trustees of the Dade County bulkhead line for Mashta Point, subject to applicants agreeing to provide relief canal in accordance with Laboratory recommendations.

The Trustees heard all present who wished to protest, including Messrs. H. A. Kuvin, Grover Loening, and Robert Perine, as property owners also representing the members of Hurricane Harbor Association, Inc., who made vigorous charges that the bulkhead line would cause deposit of silt in Hurricane Harbor, would cause that waterway to become a stagnant pool, would increase hazard of piling up of hurricane waters, and would have injurious effect on marine life. It was Mr. Kuvin's opinion that a bulkhead line should not create an island, which would be the case if canal was cut through the fill. His criticism of work done for the applicant by Dr. Bruun, while also acting in



the capacity of disinterested expert advisor to the Trustees, was withdrawn after discussion with Governor Collins and other Members and explanation of the engineering assistance rendered by the Coastal Laboratory of the University of Florida on private contracts, in this case study and report on the relief canal.

Director Ernest Mitts of the State Board of Conservation described the area as very favorable to sport fishing and marine nursery grounds, which would be damaged by dredging and filling. He filed as evidence copies of a report dated October 1958 by the Marine Laboratory of University of Miami titled "Investigation of Possible Effect on the Marine Environment of Dredging and Filling the Ragged Keys", which he said also applied to the Mashta Point area.

Mr. Loening discussed history of conveyances in the area, questioned legal status of the land, emphasized the siltation hazard currently present which he felt proposed bulkhead line would increase, requested that no filling be allowed in Biscayne Bay in the public interest, and indicated that applicants' development plans would lead to legal suit by objectors.

On behalf of his clients, the applicants, Judge Dubbin referred to portions of the Laboratory's June 1959 report, reviewed the steps followed by his clients since application to Dade County in July 1957 for a bulkhead line around approximately 40 acres of submerged land, spoke of work and conferences with Dade County Engineer E. A. Anderson, Consulting Engineer Carris, Mr. Bennett of Biscayne Engineering Company, the Trustees' staff, and others. He introduced Mr. Blatt, one of the applicants' Trustees, who explained how Coastal Engineering Laboratory had, under contract paid for by applicants, made study and report.

Former Dade County Commissioner Jess Yarborough, a realtor and zoning consultant, urged Trustees to approve the bulkhead line and to recommend that the county check into the desirability and feasibility of canal plans, pointing out that in his opinion the area would be greatly benefited by improvement of the mud flats of Mashta Point.

In view of the objections, various reports, and public interest involved, the Governor suggested that decision be deferred.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees took the entire matter under advisement, and suggestion was made that the opposing parties try to reach a compromise, if possible within three weeks.

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**DISCUSSION OF POLICY:** Governor Collins brought up for discussion, and asked that a study be made of the legal questions involved, the matter of submerged lands adjacent to uplands usually much smaller in area. He questioned whether the usual riparian relationship should be extended or the Trustees be under obligation to sell in cases where the proportion of submerged land was very much greater than the island or other upland property, and he proposed development of some scale to govern sales to upland owners.

In discussing the policy followed by the Trustees as set out in Section 1 of the Bulkhead Act of 1957, Attorney General Ervin stated the only criteria had been the judgment of the local authorities in setting bulkhead lines which the Trustees may approve, then in the discretion of the Trustees sales had been made after careful consideration of riparian rights, public interests, including right of the general public in navigable waters. In cases where several upland owners were involved, an equitable allocation of submerged areas had been made. He stated that any detachment of submerged areas from areas riparian to upland, for competitive sales, would have to take into consideration the possibility that the upland owner might be cut off from open water, which had not been the policy of the Board.

Further consideration of this matter was indicated, in view of pending applications.

## LEASE

STATE DRILLING LEASE NO. 833: On October 12, 1959, agreement was entered into with Commonwealth Oil Company, holder of Lease No. 833 (covering area from Alabama State line to Apalachicola Bay), which suspended drilling requirements as to the portion of the lease involved in the tidelands litigation, the abated footage being the fraction of the 2½ year drilling requirement which the unabated lease area bears to the abated area, the abatement to be effective as of the beginning of the then current 2½ year period expiring January 12, 1960. On said expiration date, extension was granted for drilling to commence on or before June 30, 1960. The abated footage was computed as 2,511 feet, making the required footage for the deferred well to be 3,489 feet.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved abatement of drilling requirements based on the computed footage reported by the Director.

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## PERMITS

DADE COUNTY: Under the artificial reefs program authorized by the Trustees on October 6, 1959, requirements for state permits having been formulated by Directors of the State Board of Conservation and the Trustees, assisted by the Attorney General's office, application was made by Martin Woolin on behalf of Miami Beach Anglers and Boating Club for permit to construct artificial reef at 90-foot depth in the Atlantic Ocean 3 miles offshore from Miami Beach by dropping 1,000 chained-together automobile bodies at the reef site.

The application was reviewed and approved by the Board of Conservation, which proposed that the cars be roped or chained together. Trustees' staff questioned use of rope as adequately securing against separation and scattering. Also it was noted that the proposed site was shown as an anchorage area on the map, which would be checked into by the U. S. Engineers before issuance of U. S. permit.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the state permit requested, for \$50.00 fee, provided that loose parts be secured, car bodies chained together as well as roped, and dumped into the water in a manner that would not break the chain.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of fill permit No. DF82 granted to William A. Crawford by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on August 14, 1958, approval of which was deferred by Trustees on September 2, 1958 until establishment of the area bulkhead line, which was formally approved on this date.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that in accordance with Section 253.124 F.S. 1957, the Trustees approve fill permit No. DF82 to Mr. Crawford, as granted by the Pinellas County Authority.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of fill permit No. 486 granted to Sabalo Development Company, Inc., by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, which on August 14, 1958 extended said permit for two years after its expiration date. On July 29, 1958 Trustees deferred action until establishment of the area bulkhead line, which was formally approved on this date.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that in accordance with Section 253.124 Florida Statutes 1957, the Trustees approve fill permit No. 486 to Sabalo Development Company, Inc., as granted by the Pinellas County Authority.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended approval for issuance of state permits to the City of Sarasota, without requirement of surety bond, for construction of groins, revetments and other erosion control measures in the Gulf of Mexico at Lido Key as recommended by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory in study dated January 1959 made under contract with the city.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of state permits to the City of Sarasota for the usual \$10.00 fee, without requirements of surety bond for the municipal project.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

MONROE COUNTY: J. Bruce Vining, on behalf of clients, made inquiry regarding sovereignty mangrove area northerly of U. S. Highway No. 1 and west of Jewfish Creek at Cross Key, in Barnes Sound. The Director pointed out that the area appeared to be more desirable than a similar mangrove area at Division Point recently sold at competitive sale, and similar conditions should be required in case of sale.

Without objection, the Trustees agreed that favorable consideration would be given to an application to purchase the area at competitive sale, based on a starting offer of \$255.00 per acre, withholding from sale the portion within 500 feet of highway centerline, approval by the Trustees of plans before filling, and access easements from highway to be subject to approval by U. S. Engineers and State Road Department.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director referred to action of the Trustees on February 26, 1957 approving for inclusion in future deeds conveying submerged or tidal lands in Pinellas County two clauses or covenants regarding right of grantees to fill only after first having obtained permits from local authorities and from Trustees.

The Director explained a request based on the following situation. On July 10, 1956 the Trustees confirmed sale of lands to Bayshore Homes, Inc., and Contract No. 21287 was issued without any special clause relating to dredging and filling. Grantee obtained Permit No. 278 dated December 13, 1956 from Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and made application to the U. S. Engineers for permit, Trustees waiving objection on March 25, 1957. Subsequently, after contract was paid up, Trustees' Deed No. 21287 was issued June 27, 1957 to Bayshore Homes, Inc., with the second of the two covenants (referred to above) included in the deed. West Coast Title Company recently advised that the parcel sold was duly filled, platted and lots sold, but that lending institutions would not make loans by reason of the covenant in the deed.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that (1) in instances where documentary proof of compliance was filed, the Trustees' staff be authorized to issue certificate showing that provisions had been complied with, and (2) in instances where release of the reversionary clause was required in addition to the showing of compliance, that formal releases executed by the Trustees be authorized.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.



SARASOTA COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of quitclaim deed to Olga A. Gallagher under Section 253.12 (1) Florida Statutes 1957, at the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of land filled in 1956 in Section 13, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, lying westerly of the northerly 90 feet of the southerly 180 feet of Lot 17, Block "B", Whitakers Subdivision, containing 0.22 of an acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of quitclaim deed as recommended, based on offer of the appraised price for the land filled prior to the Bulkhead Act.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 742 listing 1 regular bid for sale of lands under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deed pertaining thereto.

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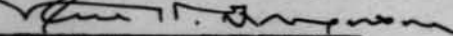
SEMINOLE COUNTY: Florida Power and Light Company offered \$10.00 for easement under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, for construction and maintenance of guy stub, guy wire and anchor on the West 63.12 feet of Lot 6, Block 3, Palm Terrace Subdivision, covered by Tax Sale Certificate No. Part 2849 of 1933.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of easement to Florida Power and Light Company for \$10.00 charge.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
February 2, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting on January 19, 1960.

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LAND SALES

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 395-50-253.12. The Trustees gave further consideration to application of Arvida Corporation, represented by T. McE. Johnston and W. T. Wallis & Associates,

for conveyance of 1.8 acres of sovereignty land in Section 16, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, Boca Raton Lagoon, appraised at \$3,500.00 per acre and advertised for objections to sale under Section 253.12. Applicant contended that the land was not sovereignty, the U. S. survey was erroneous, and requested quitclaim or disclaimer for nominal cost.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the staff received, on February 1, a geologist's report, also copy of letter by U. S. Bureau of Land Management which did not adjudicate the U. S. meander as erroneous but stated that the 1883 U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey indicated that the area was marsh, and that the U. S. asserted no claim. The letter suggested that title to the area may have passed when the U. S. divested itself of the surveyed areas, but Mr. Ferguson pointed out that the surveyed areas were School lands conveyed by the Board of Education at a unit price paid for the area tabulated on the U. S. survey.

Mr. Johnston reviewed his position that the area was not sovereignty but hiatus resulting from survey error, and W. Turner Wallis supported that view, citing the firm character of the land.

Attorney General Ervin stated that sufficient information was not available for him to make a final recommendation, but in view of the applicant's desire for immediate decision he felt the Board might act on the matter and suggested acceptance of less than appraised price.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, seconded by Mr. Larson, adopted by the Trustees, that the Trustees accept \$5,000.00 for the parcel for deed to issue under Section 253.12, with understanding that this case would not be considered as precedent for future sales.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 299-52-253.12. Paul F. Randolph, Alice M. Herzog and Dorothy M. Albright, upland owners represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, offered the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in The Narrows, Clearwater Harbor, in Section 7, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 8.12 acres within the established bulkhead line. The Director explained that the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approved application, advertised for sale by Trustees on February 10, 1959, then revised the bulkhead line, reducing the area to 8.12 acres, and after receipt of the application on October 19, 1959, the Trustees' office withheld recommendation until approval of the over-all bulkhead line for that area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the appraised price offered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 315-52-253.12. Hugh Ford, Carlton B. Waller and J. E. Brantly, abutting upland owners represented by Wightman, Rowe & Tanney, offered the appraised price of \$350.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in The Narrows, Clearwater Harbor, in Section 7, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 6.6 acres within the established bulkhead line. The Director explained that Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approved application, advertised the sale for consideration by Trustees on April 21, 1959, that application was received by Trustees' office on October 19, 1959 and recommendation withheld until approval of the over-all bulkhead line for that area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the appraised price offered.

## APPLICATIONS FOR LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 578-44-253.12. Morris H. Dolinsky, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Section 22, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, containing a total of 0.72 of an acre on Lower Matecumbe Key, one parcel in the Bay of Florida and the other in the Straits of Florida.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 579-50-253.36. R. W. Crouch, abutting upland owner, offered the established price of \$100.00 per acre for purchase of those reclaimed lake bottom lands in Lake Okeechobee in Section 20, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, lying northerly of his uplands and out to the right of way of State Roads Nos. 25 and 80, containing 31.37 acres.

The Director advised that all rights of way, easements, and drainage requirements for the state roads had been granted, and Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District waived objection to proposed sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of deed to Mr. Crouch for the price offered, without advertising, in the usual manner for conveyance of reclaimed lake bottoms to the upland owner.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested conveyance of Lots 1 to 31 inclusive of Block 31, Okeechobee Gardens, Plat Book 2, page 30, which were formerly Murphy Act lands purchased from the State by the Trustees, for a proposed area field station for the District.

The Director recommended that the lots be dedicated for such use under control of the District, subject to revocation for non-use three consecutive years; or in the event District requires deed, that title be conveyed subject to reversion when no longer required for use as area station site.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the Director's recommendation as the action of the Board.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director advised that Wilbur C. Stone, on behalf of Walter Collany, had asked for deferment of an item prepared for the agenda for consideration on this date, regarding Mr. Collany's request for dedication of a sovereignty area estimated 600 feet wide between submerged land, Island No. 9, conveyed by Trustees to him, and the uplands of Cabbage Key which was acquired by Green-Waldron interests from private owners.

Upon Attorney General Ervin's suggestion that the matter be discussed, the Director described the location of the two private ownerships, the "goose-neck" public area between, which has become a physical connection as a result of siltation, across which Mr. Collany desired access to the uplands of Cabbage Key. It was brought out that the Bayway crosses Cabbage Key, but that the owners of this upland had not evidenced consent to dedication for access to their land, that no purchase application was involved, that bulkhead lines had not been established for the whole area in question to fix the limits of riparian rights of either owner, and that Mr. Stone advised that the parties would meet to try to come to some solution of the matter before presentation to the Trustees.



The action of the Trustees was to affirm that the area under discussion, between Island No. 9 and Cabbage Key, was state sovereignty land dedicated to the public interest, and that favorable consideration would be given at a later time to granting right of way for public use.

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#### LEASES

STATE DRILLING LEASES 224-A(Modified); 224-B(Modified): The Director presented request from Coastal Petroleum Company that the Trustees officially recognize footage drilled under Leases 224-A(Modified) and 224-B(Modified) as meeting drilling requirements and for extension of lease term.

In view of pending litigation, the Trustees referred the matter to the Attorney General for study and advice.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

CITRUS COUNTY: Woodland Estates, Inc., made application to dredge 9,120 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of the Crystal River in Sections 17 and 18, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, to be used to improve applicant's upland.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to applicant, at the standard charge of five cents per cubic yard.

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DADE COUNTY: Powell Brothers, Inc., on behalf of Southgate Apartments, Inc., applied for state permit to construct concrete pier for mooring tenants' boats, pier to be located at Lots 11-18, Block 1, Amended Fleetwood Subdivision of Miami Beach, Plat Book 28, page 31. City of Miami Beach held public hearing and filed with the Trustees' office approval of the proposed pier.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of state permit for the application fee of \$100.00.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: Fort Pierce Port and Terminal Company requested two-year extension of time for completion of Phase 1 of the port development work, which under terms of bond deposit agreement was to be completed September 24, 1960. Said agreement between Trustees and company was entered into in connection with sale of 64.4 acres of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, to the company for nominal price in recognition of the contemplated use and development for port and terminal.

The company represented that work done and contracted amounted to about \$125,000.00, export-import ship service into the port had already been made possible, but that delay in construction had resulted from unanticipated problems, in part connected with the steel strike.

The Director recommended that an allowed extension of time be evidenced by formal agreement superseding or supplementing the agreement of September 24, 1957.

Upon suggestion by Governor Collins, the Trustees agreed to only one year extension for completion of Phase 1, to be formally evidenced by proper instrument. The Board directed that the company be advised that further extension would be considered upon presentation of proofs and evidence showing need therefor.

ARTIFICIAL REEFS: The Director requested adoption or approval of "Requirements for Application for State Permit to Construct Artificial Reef in Navigable Waters Outside Rivers, Harbors, Bays and Ports", developed jointly by the offices of the State Board of Conservation and the Trustees, with assistance of the office of the Attorney General and recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. Copies of the data sheet showing requirements and general information to applicants were examined by the members and accepted.

Upon motion duly adopted, the data sheet was approved and Director was instructed to file a copy in the office of the Secretary of State.

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The Director requested adoption of the usual resolution required by law for certifying to the Tax Assessors lands held by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund located within Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the following resolution be adopted and that the Tax Assessors of each county within the Flood Control District be furnished with a copy and a list of lands located in each county.

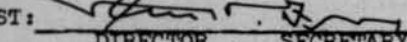
#### R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida that pursuant to Section 30 of Chapter 25209, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1949, being Section 378.30 Florida Statutes 1951, the said Trustees hereby certify to the Tax Assessor of each county having land within Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District a list of lands held by said Trustees in said county, which lie within said Flood Control District, for the assessment thereon of said Flood Control District taxes.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
February 16, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of January 26 and February 2, 1960.

## LAND SALES

The following Dade, Charlotte and Monroe County land sales were advertised for objections only, to be considered by the Trustees on February 9, 1960. A quorum of Trustees was not present on the sale date, and the Director advised that no objectors had been present and consideration of sales was deferred until this date.

DADE COUNTY: Files 516 to 522 inclusive, 13-253.12. On December 22, 1959, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of seven parcels of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32 of Township 56 South, Range 42 East, comprising a total of 629.3 acres, more or less, lying within the established bulkhead line on Sheet 70-Revised of Dade County bulkhead maps, approved by Trustees on July 28, 1959. James W. Moore, representing a group of Ragged Keys upland owners, offered appraised price of \$123.00 per acre for submerged parcels, as follows:

- File No. 516-13-253.12: Stanley C. Myers applied for 108.7 acres adjacent to his ownership on Ragged Key No. One.
- File No. 517-13-253.12: Hugh L. Woods, Trustee, applied for 14.8 acres adjacent to his ownership on Ragged Keys One and Two.
- File No. 518-13-253.12: Florence B. Moore applied for 35.3 acres adjacent to her ownership on Ragged Key No. Two.
- File No. 519-13-253.12: George Stamos and wife applied for 166.1 acres adjacent to their upland on Ragged Keys Two, Three, Four and Five.
- File No. 520-13-253.12: Christiansen Corporation, et al, applied for 96.7 acres adjacent to ownership on Ragged Key No. Three.
- File No. 521-13-253.12: S. W. O'Neal, Jr., applied for 84.9 acres adjacent to his ownership on Ragged Key No. Five.
- File No. 522-13-253.12: Stars, Inc., applied for 132.75 acres adjacent to its ownership on Ragged Key No. Six.

The land was advertised in The Miami Herald, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, and no protests were received to the sale.

The Director recommended confirmation of the sales within the amended bulkhead line fixed by Dade County with advice of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, the land mass scientifically determined to afford protection against storm and tidal problems and being in line with the width of Sands Key to the south. He advised that Dade County had requested for park purposes approximately 3,000 acres north of and in line with the general extension of the Ragged Keys bulkhead line, and that right of way for proposed causeway had been committed by every owner, with exact right of way requirements to be determined.

James W. Moore, attorney for the applicants, stated that the seven applications, made by spokesmen for about twenty-five separate ownerships to simplify the procedure, were for areas lying eight and one-half miles out in the bay, that the development planned would benefit Dade County and the State of Florida and encourage construction of the new causeway. He said that fill permit procedures insured that county, U. S. Engineer and Trustees could secure from the developers any restrictions, reservations and commitments desired for public welfare. Because of the long-pending application,



the expense and risk incurred, the compliance with all county and state requirements including Coastal Engineering Laboratory study at applicants' expense, and advantages of the proposed community-type development, Mr. Moore urged approval of sale, and expressed willingness to purchase a smaller area, approximately the size of the original application which was increased, he said, only upon advice of the experts.

Governor Collins opposed the sale, expressing his belief that it was not in the public interest to divest the state of large acreages of submerged land claimed as riparian to small upland ownerships. He had examined the area from airplane, did not question the soundness of the placement of bulkhead line, but said he would be willing to sell only a small adjacent area, reserving the remainder for public or county purposes, or other disposition.

Under the Bulkhead Act, the Trustees may in their discretion make sales out to the bulkhead line, and in view of the fact that no serious protests had been filed and bulkhead line and sale had been approved at the county level, Attorney General Ervin suggested that the Trustees indicate willingness to sell at the price offered, but that the county be asked to indicate what reservations should be made for public purposes and whether a certain height fill should be required, so that all restrictions or reservations could be included in the deed or contract.

There was discussion of reducing the area to be sold, further checking with the Coastal Laboratory and Dade County engineer and others, and examination of development plans with designated areas for public purposes was proposed.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred action and requested that the county be asked to join in discussion and study regarding areas which should be reserved for public purposes.

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**CHARLOTTE COUNTY:** File No. 545-08-253.12. On December 15 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$250.00 per acre from Silver King Estates, Inc., abutting upland owner, for purchase of 39.35 acres, more or less, of sovereignty land in Peace River in unsurveyed part of Section 28, Township 40 South, Range 23 East. The land was advertised for objections in the Punta Gorda Herald and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Objections filed by I. Schulman and S. J. Simmons had been withdrawn. John Moriarty and Thomas E. Coulter, on behalf of applicant, explained the map submitted and stated that the tidal area within the bulkhead line should be sold only to the upland owner.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised at the price offered.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 529-44-253.12. On December 22 the Trustees considered offer of \$200.00 per acre from Tropical Isles, Inc., abutting owner, for 25.0 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Cupon Bight in Sections 1 and 2, Township 67 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key. The land was advertised for objections in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

Protest was filed by S. W. Fire, an adjoining owner, and the Director recommended deferment of sale and a cut-back in the application area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on the sale until differences between the owners were adjusted.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 550-44-253.12. On December 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$340.00 per acre from Pappas Properties, Inc., abutting owner, for two parcels of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Sections 14 and 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Conch Key, containing a total of 15.08 acres. The area was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

W. A. Stadnik protested that sale was bad for fishing in the area and might depreciate value of his property, lying across the highway.

Governor Collins questioned the sale of land adjacent to right of way, and the Director informed the Board that the State Road Department offered no objections to proposed sale and filling, and that the larger parcel would close a pocket adjacent to the highway right of way.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action and suggested that the smaller parcel be dropped from the application.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 552-44-253.12. On December 15 the Trustees considered offer from Rimersburg Coal Company, abutting upland owner, of the established price of \$255.00 per acre for an area of low mangrove in Sections 25 and 36, Township 60 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 235.6 acres, more or less, and offer to reconvey to Trustees 158.3 acres of sovereign character lying in Lake Surprise for credit, based on the same price. The land applied for was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the 235.6 acres at the price offered, and agreed to accept reconveyance and allow credit of \$255.00 per acre for the submerged area in Lake Surprise, making total consideration for sale \$19,711.50.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 584-52-253.12. E. G. Fitzgerald, Trustee, applied to purchase 1.29 acres of submerged land in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 11, Township 32 South, Range 16 East. Mr. Ferguson advised the Board that sale had been approved by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority and advertised for hearing before the Trustees on October 27, 1959, but transcript of county hearing and recommendation was not received until February 8, 1960, and that bulkhead line for this part of the coast line had not yet been submitted.

Upon motion duly adopted, action on the application was deferred for approval of the bulkhead line and consideration of sale at a later date.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 585-52-253.12. William F. Gerity, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 2.87 acres of submerged land in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 1, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, in Cross Bayou, within the established bulkhead line. The sale was advertised and recommended by the Pinellas County Authority, and transcript of county hearing showed no objections.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Gerity at the appraised price.

## APPLICATIONS FOR LAND

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 501-05-253.12. On November 3, 1959, the Trustees considered the City of Melbourne's request for grant of 10.9 acres of submerged Indian River bottom land south of and adjacent to right of way of State Road 516 (Causeway), in front of and offshore from city-owned upland, in Section 2 of Township 28 South, Range 37 East, which the city proposed to lease to private interests to finance filling and development of a municipal marina, city to receive fill and improvements at lease termination.

Coastal Engineering Laboratory re-examined the plans and reported favorably. Since the project basically was a municipal improvement including public facilities, the Director recommended advertisement for objections to issuance of dedication or conveyance for public recreation purposes with authority to the city to lease for private operation to finance construction, and recommended that no area to be dredged in connection with the construction be within 250 feet of private lands.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees approve advertisement for objections as recommended, and that conveyance be subject to approval of the Attorney General as to the city's proposal to lease.

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CITRUS COUNTY: File No. 576-09-253.12. E. M. Purcell, abutting upland owner, offered the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Crystal River in Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, containing 0.73 of an acre within the bulkhead line approved by Trustees on July 21, 1959.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on Mr. Purcell's offer of the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 581-44-253.12. J. H. Williams and wife, abutting upland owners, offered the established price of \$350.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.52 of an acre.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on applicant's offer.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 580-50-253.12. Edward W. Taylor, Jr., abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.486 of an acre, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a", outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.255 of an acre, more or less, for which the applicant offered the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and authorized advertisement for objections only of the 0.255 acre parcel requested to be conveyed by deed.

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY: James Appell applied to purchase at public sale Government Lot 1 of Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 29 East, 58.18 acres, covered by his Lease 1215 for 15 years from November 1, 1958, and also the unsurveyed marsh west of Intra-coastal Waterway right of way on which a 5-year lease to him was authorized on



January 12, 1960. He offered \$35.00 per acre, the 1958 appraised value of the government lot, and estimated the total area as 458.18 acres.

Florida Inland Navigation District was granted 25-acre spoil area on January 12, held 2,200 foot wide right of way in the area, and requested part of the marsh in the 5-year lease authorized to Mr. Appell.

Mr. Ferguson recommended advertisement for competitive bids and objections based on Mr. Appell's offer, with purchaser to furnish survey and legal description, and suggested that notice be sent to Florida Inland Navigation District in order that its requirements for the waterway might be clarified and considered on the sale date.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Ervin and adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for competitive bids and objections, as recommended by the Director.

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#### LEASES

DADE COUNTY: State Drilling Lease No. 340-340-A. On December 15, 1959, the Trustees granted 60-day extension of time to Commonwealth Oil Company for commencement of a well which was due January 14, 1960. On January 5, 1960, the Trustees granted extension through March 14, 1960, for payment of rental due December 20, 1959, with interest at 6%.

J. L. McCord, on behalf of Commonwealth, asked to withdraw both requests for extensions, explaining that agreements between his company and another oil company had not been reached as anticipated.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees allowed withdrawal of Commonwealth's requests for extensions, thereby rescinded action taken by the Board on December 15, 1959 and January 5, 1960 relating to State Drilling Lease No. 340-340-A.

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DADE COUNTY: Francis X. Knuck applied to lease a shoal area in South Bay on which a house was placed on stilts after deterioration of barge on which the house had been situated. The Director recommended 4-year lease at \$60.00 annual rental, subject to cancellation on 120 days written notice in event the area was required for public purpose, subject to applicant furnishing engineering drawing and data to define location and dimensions of area occupied, and subject to approval by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as action of the Board.

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DADE COUNTY: Hialeah Police Benevolent Association requested approval of assignment from Joseph Weintraub of a portion of one acre in NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 20, Township 55 South, Range 42 East, under Lease No. 433, covering a shoal area in South Bay. The Director recommended that assignee be required to furnish executed or certified copy of assignment instrument, and that before any renewal or new lease was considered, applicant be required to furnish photograph and other data concerning improvements on the site, the use made, and evidence of non-objection by U. S. Engineer.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the assignment, and accepted recommendations of the Director as action of the Board.

GLADES COUNTY: Mrs. Pearl Pearce Stevens applied for 5-year extension of her Grazing Lease No. 404-A covering 296.1 acres of Lake Okeechobee bottom land in Sections 9, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 30, Township 39 South, Range 34 East, at \$1.00 per acre per year. The Director recommended that upon expiration of current lease on January 26, 1961, new lease be drawn to include provision for cancellation on 120 days written notice in event the area was needed for public purposes, and provision to exempt the state from all liability arising out of claims or damage resulting from flooding.

Governor Collins recommended that before consideration of lease extension, the Trustees should secure specific statements from Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District and the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission disclaiming need for the area for their programs.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees directed that the two agencies be contacted for recommendation as to proposed lease.

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EASEMENTS, PERMITS, CORRECTIVE DEEDS

BREVARD COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of temporary easement to the State Road Department for a dredging area in the Banana River in Section 16, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, to be used in construction of Section 70080-2202, State Road No. 401.

CHARLOTTE AND LEE COUNTIES: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized (1) easement to West Coast Inland Navigation District for additional right of way for the West Coast Intra-coastal Waterway through the open waters of Charlotte and Lee Counties, and also (2) perpetual easements to be issued directly to the United States covering spoil areas in the same counties.

CITRUS COUNTY: Ronnie Green, on behalf of Blue Water Forest, Inc., applied for 6,496 cubic yards of material to be dredged from shoal areas in the Homosassa River in Sections 28, 29 and 32, Township 19 South, Range 17 East.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit for the requested material, at standard rate of 5¢ per cubic yard.

COLLIER COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of state permit for usual \$10.00 fee, and requirement of \$1,200.00 bond, to the Gulf Shore Colony Club at Naples, Florida, for construction of two rock groins in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory, for the purpose of preventing erosion and, if possible, to build up the beach at the site which is one-half mile south of Doctor's Pass.

MONROE COUNTY: On September 22, 1959, upon application by Bruce Vining, Trustees confirmed sale of 124.4 acres of sovereignty mangrove land at Division Point in Barnes Sound (File No. 470-44-253.12) subject to provision that no filling should proceed until approval of development plan by Trustees. Sale which was recorded in the name of Lester R. Johnson, Jr., covered only mangrove area beyond a line 500 feet from centerline of Overseas Highway, with provision for access by easement.

The Director recommended approval of development plan submitted by applicant, and recommended that easement be granted for two

strips 200 feet wide for access and utilities only, construction and maintenance to conform to requirements of U. S. Engineer and State Road Department.

Upon motion made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Lyman L. McGrath applied for state permit to construct a commercial public fishing pier in front of Lot 108, Assessor's Subdivision, Walker Grant, in Section 55, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, dock to extend about 900 feet into Atlantic Ocean. City Commission of New Smyrna Beach approved proposed pier, written consent of nearest private owner was on file, but protest was received from Francis T. Meriwether, another adjacent owner.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action and suggested that applicant try to work out differences with objector.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of permanent easement requested by City of Daytona Beach to be issued to the United States for right of way for canal leading from Daytona Beach Marina to the Intracoastal Waterway channel in the Halifax River.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permanent easement to United States as requested.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

MONROE COUNTY: Albert S. Dubbin, on behalf of Sadowski Corporation, requested refund in sum of \$1,898.00 paid for 18.98 acres of submerged land in Bonefish Bay. Mr. Ferguson explained that Deed No. 20719 dated May 2, 1955, conveyed 93.18 acres, Deed No. 20941 dated June 28, 1955 conveyed 102 acres; and in 1958 when errors were disclosed in maps of surveys furnished by purchaser, deed exchange was authorized which resulted in applicant acquiring 176.2 acres when he had actually paid for 195.18 acres, the difference of 18.98 acres reverting in the Trustees in unfilled state. The discrepancy was not apparent until development of the 176.2 acres was accomplished, and circumstances justified reimbursement of the purchaser for the 18.98 acres which was re-conveyed to the Trustees.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved refund in the amount of \$1,898.00 as requested.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of assignment of Contract No. 22356 by Anna Price and John Hughes, purchasers, in favor of W. K. Hyotlaine, Trustee. The original contract made December 30, 1959, was for a sale in the amount of \$28,015.92, one-half of which was paid, and the holder requested cancellation of contract and new one drawn to allow payment of the unpaid balance and interest over the usual 4½ year period.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized new contract as requested, showing credit of the payment on principal, and the balance and interest to be payable in nine semi-annual installments, with additional handling charge of \$10.00 to be paid by applicant.



PALM BEACH COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of Corrective Dedication No. 22375 without charge, to correct an error in the description shown in original dedication.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of corrective deeds to correct errors in original Deed Nos. 19757, 20307 and 20379 caused by the slight discrepancies in linear measurements, for \$10.00 charge for each instrument.

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The Director informed the Trustees of invitation from C. Kay Davis, Chairman of the Broward County Beach Erosion Committee, to a meeting of that group on March 11 at Fort Lauderdale. The Committee, established to make a report to the 1961 Legislature, would consider proposed legislation and the Broward County erosion study project, in which Trustees had authorized financial participation. M. Richard Eaton of the Beach Erosion Board, Washington, D. C., would also review erosion control programs of other states.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to represent them at the meeting.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: Dr. Harry M. Philpott, Vice-President, Dr. Marion Forsman, Assistant Director of Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station, and Dr. Per Bruun, Director of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, all of the University of Florida at Gainesville, presented request authorized by the Board of Control for emergency financial assistance for equipment and facility needs as set out in request of the Laboratory, copy of which was furnished each Member.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees granted the amount of \$40,000.00 for use as set up in the Laboratory's request, for its research and work on matters affecting the Trustees and the public welfare.

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The Trustees considered request that D. R. Large, Superintendent, and L. P. Parson, of Glades Prison Farm, be designated as proxies to vote on behalf of Trustees or Board of Education at Land Owners' Meetings of South Florida Conservancy District, in which district the Trustees hold 1,771.06 acres of land.

The Trustees determined that, inasmuch as they had no information concerning the District's business and there was no previous record of authorizing proxy voting, private owners might best handle their elections and business.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Terry Lee, Coordinator, Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, presented proposal for clearance of buildings and improvements from lands recently acquired east of the Carlton Building. Mr. Lee stated that the Attorney General's office advised him on February 11 that acquisition of the block east of the Carlton Building and the church property was consummated. Mr. Lee examined the buildings and determined that the value was probably less than cost to the state of removal and clearing. He contacted several parties, and Shackleford Construction Company agreed to accept contract for immediate clearing and removing all rubbish for whatever material he might salvage, agreeing to put up \$1,000.00 cashier's check to guarantee satisfactory clearing and cleaning up. He explained that a slight delay in moving the church would be straightened up in a few days, and then the State Road Department could begin work to pave both areas for parking lot purposes, badly needed by the state.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Mr. Lee's report, and authorized him to contract with Shackleford Construction Company as explained, to enable the State Road Department to prepare the area for state parking lot purposes as soon as possible.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Personnel. The Director recommended advancement of Fred Vidzes, draftsman, to the position of Assistant to Cadastral Surveyor, with salary of \$6,500.00 per year effective in March. Since this would fill an unfilled position carried in the budget, it was stated that no action by the State Budget Board would be necessary.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation, at the stated salary.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Equipment. Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Board authorized purchase for Trustees' office of one forms cabinet costing approximately \$50.00, and one file stool.

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Because of shortness of time and the Governor having to excuse himself from the meeting, discussion of state permits for docks, piers and marinas in public waters was deferred until later date.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 743 listing 17 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act lands; also authorized issuance of County of Highlands Deed No. 87-Corrective-Supplemental which had been approved by the Attorney General's office to correct part of description in original Deed No. 87 dated December 30, 1940.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
February 23, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of February 16, 1960.

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LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 529-44-253.12. The Director stated that objection reported last week had been withdrawn, and he recommended confirmation of sale at the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre to Tropical Isles, Incorporated, the abutting upland owner, of a parcel of submerged land in Cupon Bight in Sections 1 and 2 of Township 67 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 25.0 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 534-44-253.12. On January 5, 1960, the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Carlton F. Adams, the abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 0.42 of an acre of submerged land in Blackwater Sound in Section 12, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. The land was advertised for objections in the Coral Tribune, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

James O. Golden's protest on the ground that his view might be damaged by construction on the parcel was not considered a valid objection by the Staff.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objection and approved sale of the land described in favor of Mr. Adams, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 548-44-253.12. On January 5 the Trustees agreed to accept \$100.00 from United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior, abutting upland owner, for 20.99 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 21, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, desired in connection with Great White Heron and National Key Deer refuges, deed to contain reverter clause if the tract was not used for the proposed headquarters site. The land was advertised for objections in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no protests to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the land described in favor of applicant for \$100.00, deed to contain reverter clause.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 551-44-253.12. On January 12 the Trustees considered offer of \$150.00 per acre from North Shore Bank as Trustees, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of 14.0 acres, more or less, of sovereignty land in Section 22, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Protest to the sale was filed by Edward Leitner on the ground that his riparian rights extended into the area proposed for sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action until objecting parties could work out differences regarding the sovereign areas included in the application.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 553-44-253.12. On January 12 the Trustees considered offer of \$150.00 per acre from John G. McKay, Jr., as Trustee for El Radabob Liquidation Trust, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of three parcels of sovereignty land containing a total of 23.7 acres, more or less, in Section 6 of Township 61 South, Range 40 East, and in Sections 23 and 27 of Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

Edward Leitner protested that his riparian rights extended into the area proposed for sale, and the Director recommended deferment.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action until objecting parties could work out differences regarding the sovereign areas included in the application.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 562-44-253.12. On January 5 the Trustees considered offer of \$425.00 per acre, the established price, from Dr. Alvaro Vargas, abutting upland owner, for 0.92 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the land advertised to Dr. Vargas, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 563-44-253.12. On January 5 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$350.00 per acre from J. W. Taylor, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 5 and 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 1.71 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land to Mr. Taylor, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 564-44-253.12. On January 5 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Fred E. Sanford, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Sections 12 and 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were filed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised in favor of Mr. Sanford, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 566-44-253.12. On January 12 the Trustees considered offer of the \$100.00 minimum from Edward W. Scudder, Jr., and Richard B. Scudder, abutting upland owners represented by Worley, Gautier and Dawes, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.13 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the price offered.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 541-50-253.12. On December 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Ethel M. Kelley, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, for purchase of 1.427 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

The Board discussed values of land in the Lake Worth area and suggested that Mr. Ferguson contact appraiser for information on current prices before further sales were considered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 577-44-253.12. Arthur Hollerich, abutting upland owner, represented by C. G. Bailey, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for 0.48 of an acre of submerged land in Bogie Channel in Section 24, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, at Big Pine Key.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the offer from Mr. Hollerich.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: Bulkhead Line and Application. File No. 525-58-253.12. Formal approval by the Trustees was requested for the relocated bulkhead line established August 5, 1959 by Sarasota County Water & Navigation Control Authority, which, after local public hearing on July 1, 1959, changed a previously fixed bulkhead line. The bulkhead line was in Roberts Bay in front of property of R. E. Best in Section 18, Township 37 South, Range 18 East, along a line parallel to the easterly right of way line of the Intracoastal Waterway.

Also, R. E. Best, abutting upland owner represented by Rosin, Paderewski and Cramer, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for 0.4 of an acre of submerged land in Roberts Bay in said Section 18, within the relocated bulkhead line.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees formally approve the relocated bulkhead line established by Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority, and authorize advertisement of the parcel for objections only based on offer from Mr. Best.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

DADE COUNTY: The Trustees considered reports on a conference on the Dade County bulkhead lines by representatives of the Trustees, Dade County, and the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. The staff had been reluctant to approve lines for offshore areas south of Key Biscayne which the Laboratory considered would aggravate storm hazards, Dr. Bruun was not in position to recommend definitely without further study but was particularly concerned about water openings from the ocean to the bay, and the county felt that ragged coastlines would result when some owners did not fill out to proposed extensions and that land masses could be controlled by county permit procedures.

The Trustees discussed the long-range prospects for causeways and growth sufficient to make feasible large developments, their concern that adequate reservations for public interests be made, and the delay to owners and the county.

Attorney General Ervin recommended approval of the county line as submitted, on the basis that the Laboratory's suggestions seemingly could not be realized in the foreseeable future, and Governor Collins suggested that it be made clear that sale, dredging or filling out to the bulkhead line would be determined on the merits of each application.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line submitted by Dade County, for the offshore areas extending from Key Biscayne southward to Monroe County line, subject, however, to reservation that approval of bulkhead line in no sense committed the Trustees to grant any title, dredging or filling permits to areas embraced within the bulkhead line, but that each application therefor would be considered on its merits by the Trustees, as approved by Dade County. Approval this date covered Dade County Map Sheets 61 to 69 inclusive, 70, 71 and 72.

PINELLAS COUNTY: Referred to the Trustees for formal approval was the bulkhead line in St. Joseph Sound along the City of Dunedin mainland, established in regular meetings on November 17, 1958, and January 14, 1960, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority at the request of the City of Dunedin.

The Trustees examined the bulkhead maps submitted, and the Director advised that transcript of county hearings showed no objections to the bulkhead line.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the City of Dunedin bulkhead line as established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

PINELLAS COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved Permit No. DF99 issued to Manuel E. Cowen by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on February 16, 1960, for dredging and filling an area previously purchased by Mr. Cowen in Section 36 of Township 30 South, Range 15 East, and in Section 31 of Township 30 South, Range 16 East.

VOLUSIA COUNTY: Benjamin Edelheit applied for permit to dredge 1,500 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Halifax River to be deposited on his property lying in front of his Lots 160, 161 and 162 in Wilbur-by-the-Sea Subdivision, about 1½ miles south of Port Orange Bridge. Director recommended issuance of permit for the usual charge of 5¢ per cubic yard.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to applicant at the standard rate, or a total charge of \$75.00 for the 1,500 yards.

TRUSTEES' POLICY: Sales of material from fresh water lakes. On October 14, 1958, the Trustees fixed permit fee of \$75.00 in addition to the standard rate of five cents per cubic yard to be charged lakefront owners for material taken to fill their uplands. The majority of sales involved relatively small yardages, and have not resulted in any reported damage, applications were not processed until approved by Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, and the Director stated that the surcharge or processing fee was disproportionate to the yardage payment and was a hardship on small owners desiring to improve their lakeshore.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees fixed a minimum total charge of \$25.00 for future applications for fill material from fresh water lakes, the yardage rate to remain in effect for applications for large amounts of material.



HIGHLANDS COUNTY: John W. Flucker applied for permit to take 200 cubic yards of material from bottoms of Lake June-in-Winter in Section 30, Township 36 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, to improve the beach in front of his house. Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission had approved dredging in the lake.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to applicant for the minimum total charge, made effective this date, of \$25.00.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: The Trustees discussed request made on this date by Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission to the State Budget Commission and referred to the Trustees, for release of \$20,000.00 to be used, in addition to \$27,100.00 of work-in-kind by the Game Commission staff, to "match" Federal funds in the amount of \$107,200.00 available for the current fiscal year for a Federal program administered by the Corps of Engineers for eradication of hyacinths and other noxious aquatic plants. Letter of February 23 from Director A. D. Aldrich explained that an anticipated \$1,173,700.00 would be available for Florida from the Federal Government during 1961-1964, requiring \$503,700.00 State matching funds.

Governor Collins recommended that grant be approved, recognizing the work as valid internal improvement, but suggested that the record show that this action was taken with full expectation that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission could find other resources to finance the continuing program.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized grant to the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission of the sum of \$20,000.00, to be expended as requested by that Commission in the joint U. S. - State hyacinth and noxious vegetation control program; also that this action was not to be considered as setting precedent for any such future expenditures from Trustees' funds.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 744 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of lands under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deed pertaining thereto.

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ALACHUA COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of application from Mrs. Mary F. Pegram who offered \$20.00 for deed under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953, commonly called the Hardship Act, to a parcel of land described in tax sale certificates Nos. 778 of 1933 and 237 of 1949 as "1½ acres in SW Corner of Lot 10 Sweats Subdivision of Lot 2, Section 11, Township 10 South, Range 19 East". The applicant acquired title to the parcel adjoining her homestead in 1945 without being aware that there were unpaid taxes at the time of purchase.

The Attorney General by letter dated February 18, 1960, recommended policy of allowing record owner on June 9, 1939, or anyone claiming by, through or under him, to make application to purchase under Chapter 28317, provided applicant acquired his interest prior to effective date of the Act in 1953.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees accepted the offer of \$20.00 and authorized conveyance of the parcel described to Mrs. Pegram under the provisions of Chapter 28317.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 1, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, in the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of February 23, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

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#### LAND SALE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 535-44-253.12. The Trustees reconsidered application by Key Largo Development Company, deferred on December 29, and the Director advised that differences regarding property lines of one adjacent owner had been resolved. The staff recommended overruling the other objections based on the disturbance of the natural shoreline, since sale of the two parcels of submerged land in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 29 East, Key Largo, containing 7.2 acres, more or less, conformed with planned shoreline and previous sales.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised in favor of Key Largo Development Company, at the established price of \$350.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 565-44-253.12. Howard E. Kambach, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Raccoon Key, containing 7.03 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 588-44-253.12. Art Matney, abutting upland owner represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the established price of \$250.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less.

Upon examination of plat of the area, the Trustees expressed concern about a 5-acre parcel conveyed in 1952, unrelated to the Matney application, the filling of the 5 acres appearing to be not in the public interest because of its extension out into the water from shoreline. The Director was asked to try to explain to the present owner the Trustees' position that in the public interest sales and fills should be held back to a controlled shoreline.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of the parcel applied for by Mr. Matney, based on the offer made.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 589-44-253.12. E. C. Lunsford, adjacent owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered \$100.00 per acre for purchase of Government Lot 1 of Section 25, and Government Lot 1 of Section 36, of Township 63 South, Range 36 East, containing 73.66 acres, and 43.66 acres of sovereignty land adjacent to said lots and to applicant's present ownership on Shell Key, shown on U. S. survey as an island consisting of four fractional sections, the two westerly lots being owned by the applicant.

The Director reviewed the history of Dr. Lunsford's application made in 1956, facts concerning competitive sale of another sandbar parcel in the area in 1957, and certificate from Mr. Crawshaw, Registered Engineer and Surveyor, that the Government lots were actually tidal in character with deep mud which made sand fill unstable. The major part of Shell Key appeared to be a pond surrounded by mangrove and mud flats, and the physical character, notwithstanding the U. S. survey and issuance of patent as swamp and overflow land, might justify sale of the 73.66 acres as bottom lands along with the 43.66 acres of adjacent sovereignty mud flats.

Governor Collins expressed the opinion that government lots should be sold only at competitive sale, and that the sovereignty area determined to be properly contiguous to applicant's ownership could be advertised for objections only. The Director recommended \$100.00 per acre as base bid for competitive sale and as the price to be required for the portion advertised for objections.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of an area to be determined by the staff to be riparian to Dr. Lunsford's property.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 601-50-253.36. Mrs. Frances G. Ball applied for a small parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land adjoining Lot 21 of Section 13, Township 43 South, Range 36 East, lying between the platted boundary of said Lot 21 (state meander) and the south line of said Lot 13, containing 0.17 of an acre, more or less, to straighten out a small indentation in her property boundary.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance of the parcel at the minimum charge of \$100.00, without advertising, following the usual policy for sale of reclaimed lake bottoms.

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**TAYLOR COUNTY:** File No. 492-62-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Application: The Director referred to the Trustees for approval a bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County by Resolution adopted July 20, 1959, at the request of Keaton Beach, Inc., in the Gulf of Mexico offshore from applicant's upland in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East, and extending approximately 1½ miles in length.

The Trustees examined the bulkhead map submitted, and called the attention of W. J. Smith, president of Keaton Beach, Inc., and



C. R. Cooney to a portion of the line which appeared to cut across a creek. It was suggested that the county be asked to adjust the line and furnish another map, correcting what seemed to be an error.

Also, the Trustees considered application by Keaton Beach, Inc., to purchase a parcel of submerged land, landward of the southerly portion of the bulkhead line, containing 32.34 acres more or less, in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East. The appraisal of \$200.00 per acre appeared high and unrealistic, and adjustment was suggested.

Upon motion duly adopted, action on the bulkhead line was deferred, and the Trustees directed that another independent appraisal be secured before further consideration of application to purchase.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

BROWARD COUNTY: Referred to the Trustees for formal approval was the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Fort Lauderdale by Ordinance No. 1532 passed April 20, 1959, conforming to the perimeter of existing and filled land platted and recorded as "Isla Bahia", a land mass of sovereignty land aggregating about 4 acres filled by Company Six-C, Inc., since passage of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, without purchase or permits from the Trustees or the U. S. Engineers. The record showed no protests were made at the local hearing, but that objections and litigation subsequently developed, from the Harbor Club of Fort Lauderdale, Inc., property owner on New River Sound across the channel from Isla Bahia.

William P. Owen, attorney for the developer, Company Six-C, Inc., stated that application made to Trustees in 1955 did not meet with all requirements, that passage of the bulkhead law on June 11, 1957 caught his client with incompleated application, that filling was going on in the area increasing heights of fills, and that, although, through no intent to defraud, Company Six-C did contract with dredging company and fill state-owned land without purchase or permit, they complied with all requirements of the law in establishment of the bulkhead line.

Attorney Robert C. Scott and President Shearer of the Harbor Club protested that the bulkhead line and development were damaging to their riparian rights and caused depreciation of their property, showing maps and photographs as evidence. They explained that they had no knowledge of the hearing, and had brought suit to restrain fixing of bulkhead line or sale of illegally filled land. Mr. Scott urged Trustees not to approve bulkhead line in view of their pending litigation.

Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, explained details of the suit instituted by the Harbor Club against Company Six-C and the Trustees, which was dismissed as premature since no formal application was pending on bulkhead line.

Governor Collins suggested that the issue between the private parties would require court determination, and that the bulkhead line, being basically a matter for local decision, should be confirmed or rejected by the Trustees. Later, disposition of the illegally filled land could be considered.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved bulkhead line as recommended by the City of Fort Lauderdale, upon the express condition that the action of approval should not be construed as (1) a determination of any settlement of a right to fill sovereignty lands since June 11, 1957, or title thereto, nor (2) a determination of private rights related thereto.

## MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: File No. 396-13-253.124. Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved fill permit issued by the City of Miami under authorization of Board of Dade County Commissioners Resolution No. 4523, to Bay Towers, Inc., to dredge and fill lands in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, at the east end of Northeast 33rd Street in the City of Miami, purchased under Trustees' Contract No. 22210 dated July 29, 1959.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 528-36-253.124. Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved permit granted by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County by Resolution adopted June 17, 1959, to Lowrie Lumber Company, to dredge and fill lands purchased from the Trustees in Sections 9 and 16, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, conveyed by Trustees' Deed No. 22382 dated February 12, 1960.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to H. A. Baughan for \$25.00 charge, to dredge 200 cubic yards of material from bottom of Lake Lotela in Section 26, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, Avon Park, to improve the upland shoreline of his residential lot, the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission having approved dredging in said lake.

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MANATEE COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Henry Senecal, at the rate of 5¢ per cubic yard or total cost of \$350.00, for 7,000 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of Sarasota Pass in Section 4, Township 35 South, Range 16 East, to use for improvement of his upland.

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DADE COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of easement, to expire April 15, 1963, to the State Road Department for temporary dredging area in Biscayne Bay in Sections 20 and 21, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, along the side of the present 36th Street Causeway.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: The West Coast Inland Navigation District requested modification of alignment of right of way in Lemon Bay, Sarasota County, formerly granted by Trustees' Instrument No. 21901. The area in original right of way easement will be released by the District, as a new area was required by modified alignment for the Intracoastal Waterway.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees granted new right of way area as requested by West Coast Inland Navigation District.

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GILCHRIST COUNTY: Senator W. R. Hodges, Representatives H. E. Lancaster and Hal Chaires, Director Ernest Mitts and Robert M. Ingle of State Board of Conservation, on behalf of the Junior Saltwater Conservation Club of Gilchrist County, presented request for permit to construct an artificial reef 9,000 yards off the mouth of the Suwannee River, Dixie County side, in 13 feet of water, mean low tide, using automobiles and refrigerators, with four piling markers and an obstruction marker seaward from the reef. The Conservation Board recommended waiving the fee, in view of the educational nature of the club.

The Director called attention to the shallow depth and the need for recommendation from the U. S. Corps of Engineers as to navigation, the liability requirement which probably could not be assumed by the Junior Club, and asked for the Board's direction as to waiving the usual permit fee.

Senator Hodges stated that the usual permit specifications were not applicable to the coastal area off Dixie County, where shallow sandy bottoms extended out many miles with little navigation, and he urged the Board to grant the permit to the Club as a worthwhile activity recommended by the Conservation Department.

Mr. Mitts suggested that conservation agents could supervise the project, or that possibly citizens in the area could form a trusteeship to take care of the legal liability feature.

Governor Collins expressed the Board's approval of the project as a junior conservation activity, although the \$50.00 fee should be paid in conformity with regulations, and he suggested that the permit be issued subject to approval of the Department of Conservation and concurrence of the Attorney General.

It was so ordered.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Thomas Alexander requested disclaimer by the Trustees to 113.63 acres of submerged land in Section 32, Township 29 South, Range 18 East, and Section 5, Township 30 South, Range 18 East, of any interest arising out of purchase money mortgage No. 17588 dated April 19, 1926 to Lloyd Skinner Development Company, now bankrupt. Mr. Ferguson and Assistant Attorney General McLane explained the case, that the debt appeared uncollectable, and that the land had reverted to the state and was sold under the Murphy Act.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer of the Trustees' claim or interest under the said mortgage, for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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MARTIN, ST. LUCIE, INDIAN RIVER COUNTIES: Dr. K. G. Kelso, on behalf of Real Eight Salvage Company, applied for non-exclusive salvage or treasure lease covering a 1-mile width, beyond 500 feet from upland, extending northerly from Stuart to the new Brevard-Indian River County line; also, he applied for exclusive salvage rights covering 1 acre in the lease area, 1,400 feet offshore 3.8 miles south of St. Lucie-Indian River County line and 2.4 miles north of Fort Pierce Inlet. Information was that salvage would be in the interest of a local museum, and that the Trustees would be apprised of any items of historical value found.

Motion was made and adopted that Trustees authorize issuance of non-exclusive lease with exclusive salvage rights as to the one-acre parcel and privilege of designating other one-acre parcels, subject to annual rental of \$100.00 plus royalty of 25% of materials taken (subject to selection by Trustees) or 25% of fair market value in event Trustees do not require materials in payment of royalties, also subject to \$500.00 surety bond and compliance with regulations heretofore adopted for treasure leases.

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MONROE COUNTY: On January 5, 1960, the Trustees agreed to accept reconveyance from El Radabob Liquidation Trust of six parcels of submerged land in Tarpon Basin, Grouper Creek and Newport Bay, aggregating 90 acres, more or less, in exchange for 33.8 acres described as the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, to be conveyed to El Radabob at appraised price of \$200.00 per acre. The Director reported that agreement had been carried out and Trustees had received quitclaim deeds covering the six parcels



of surveyed and patented land aggregating 90 acres, and he recommended dedication to the use of the public by appropriate instrument or instruments to be recorded in the public records of the county, which would in turn satisfy the records in the Land Office so that the 90 acres would not be conveyed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the report and recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

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**ORANGE COUNTY:** The Attorney General's office requested that Trustees bear expense of securing geological and botanical data concerning Lake Conway for use in a suit pending in Circuit Court of Orange County, the issues in the private litigation having raised question as to the state's right to sell marginal lands reclaimed by permanent lowering of the lake. The State Geologist agreed to make tests in the area and advised that certain work by a competent botanist would be needed for a reliable scientific report.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized payment for work as recommended by the Attorney General.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Authority was requested to make refund to Strazzula Brothers Company for over-payment on Contract No. 20752, for a 1.89 acre parcel which was within a perpetual easement to the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District for Levee L-40.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved refund to applicant in the amount of \$58.59, covering the parcel described.

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**CAPITOL BUILDING:** Trustees' Funds. Robert H. Brown, Jr., of the Construction Division, Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, informed the Trustees that footing drains were needed in the northeast corner of the north wing of the capitol building where flooding sometimes occurred in offices occupied by the Treasurer, and the Trustees were requested to provide approximately \$2,500.00 for the work, to be done under the direction of the Capitol Engineer, Mr. Drake.

Motion was made and duly adopted that the Trustees follow the advice of the Construction Division and authorize expenditure from Trustees' funds of up to \$2,500.00 for the work requested.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

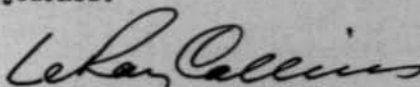
Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of County of Manatee Deed No. 1277-Corrective-Supplemental to Thomas F. Taylor, as approved by the Attorney General's Office to correct part of description in original deed dated February 22, 1947.


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**ALACHUA COUNTY:** W. C. O'Neal, administrator of estate of Celia A. Adams, deceased, applied for conveyance under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953, of Lot 22 of E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Block 5, Brown's Addition to Gainesville, Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 20 East, covered by tax sale certificate No. 1264 of 1934. Statement of the Clerk of the Circuit Court showed requirements of the Act had been complied with and application was made for deed from Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of deed to the applicant under the Hardship Act, upon payment of \$180.00, the 1932 assessed value.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 8, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

#### LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 372-44-253.12. On January 19 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 from Alexander L. Sochin, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.75 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Keys Keynoter, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Sochin based on his offer of \$425.00 per acre.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 499-44-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Frank Hatton, the abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 24 and 25, Township 65 South, Range 33 East, Grassy Key, containing 5.2 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Keys Keynoter, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Hatton based on his offer of \$300.00 per acre.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 550-44-253.12. On February 16 the Trustees deferred action on offer of the established price of \$340.00 per acre from Pappas Properties, Inc., for two parcels of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Sections 14 and 15, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Conch Key, containing a total of 15.08 acres, more or less.

The Director recommended a plan, approved by the Governor, that sale be confirmed for nominal sum of \$100.00 but that both parcel "A" containing 11.01 acres and "B" containing 4.07 acres be restricted against filling, the deed to contain appropriate clauses requiring that the two parcels remain in the unfilled state with reversion in the event of filling during such restriction, also that in the event of formal waiver of the stipulation payment of current established price of \$340.00 per acre shall be made to the Trustees. The following clauses were recommended by the Attorney General's office for inclusion in the deed:

"The within deed is made, executed and delivered upon the express condition that the parcels hereby conveyed shall remain in their unfilled state, the consideration paid therefor having been fixed in recognition of that condition."

"In the event of development and filling of privately owned submerged lands westerly of and adjacent to parcel "A" as above described, the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund may in their discretion release the foregoing condition or stipulation, upon payment by the grantee of a further consideration of \$340.00 per acre for said parcel "A" or such portion as may be authorized to be filled in accordance with the development plan approved by the Trustees."

"Should the grantee or his heirs or assigns violate the conditions hereof, the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund may at their option cause title to parcels hereby conveyed to revert to Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund."

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance of the land advertised to the applicant for nominal sum of \$100.00, deed to contain the clauses recommended by the Attorney General.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 561-50-253.12. On January 19 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,400.00 per acre from Irving B. Kirsch, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 15, Township 45 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.764 acre, more or less, in City of Boynton Beach within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Boynton Beach News, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no protest to the sale was received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Kirsch, based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 568-50-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from J. V. Stephens and Josephine L. Williams abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.126 of an acre, more or less, City of West Palm Beach, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objection to the sale was received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants, based on offer of the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 572-50-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre from Llwyd Ecclestone, abutting upland owner, for



purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 16.694 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Trustees approved the application for advertisement, subject to removal by applicant of a portion of filled land outside the bulkhead line, said condition to be made a provision in the contract.

The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Ecclestone at the appraised price, subject to provision as to removal of filled portion beyond the bulkhead line.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 573-50-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre from Murphy Construction Company, abutting upland owner, for purchase of two parcels of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 4.854 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 574-50-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre from Volk, Incorporated, abutting upland owner, for purchase of 0.764 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the appraised price.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 380-52-253.12. Dr. Paul F. Wallace, abutting upland owner, represented by W. K. Zewadski, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 1.22 acres within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale, and proof of publication of notice, were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel at \$300.00 per acre, the appraised price, to Dr. Wallace.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 592-52-253.12. Frank H. Henderson, abutting upland owner, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 0.79 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to Mr. Henderson at \$300.00 per acre, the appraised price.

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 593-52-253.12. Alfred H. Oldenburg and Lynn Eddy, abutting upland owners, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 0.70 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicants at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 594-52-253.12. Ray H. Aritas and Joseph E. Aritas, abutting upland owners, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 1.85 acres, more or less, lying within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicants, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 595-52-253.12. Arch Thompson and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 1.48 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicants, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 596-52-253.12. Sarah Mavis Dabbs, abutting upland owner, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 1.89 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed with the Trustees. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicant, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 597-52-253.12. Ernest Adamek, abutting upland owner, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, containing 7.09 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicant, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 598-52-253.12. Martin H. Schall and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, lying within the established bulkhead line, containing 4.96 acres, more or less. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale, and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicants, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 599-52-253.12. James R. Clendenon, abutting upland owner, represented by W. J. Reynolds, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Cross Bayou in Section 36, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, lying within the established bulkhead line, containing 4.08 acres, more or less. Certified copy of action taken by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale and proof of publication of notice were filed in the Trustees' office. No protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to the applicants, at the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 604-44-253.12. Magna E. Bauer et al, abutting upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 67 South, Range 27 East, Sugarloaf Key, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 605-44-253.12. Green Haven, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 3.07 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 549-50-253.12. Dwight Smith, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in the Town of Lake Park in Section 21, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.294 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Section 21 lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 9.196 acres, and made offer of the appraised price of \$1,795.00 per acre, subject to advertisement for objections only.



Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees authorize issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00, and authorize advertised for objections only the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed, based on the offer submitted.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 590-50-253.36. N. G. Archer, adjacent owner, represented by J. M. Lankford, applied to purchase a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, containing 2.18 acres, more or less.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance to Mr. Archer without advertisement at the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre, following the usual procedure of sale of reclaimed lake bottom lands.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 591-50-253.36. W. K. Archer, adjacent owner, represented by J. M. Lankford, applied to purchase a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 19, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, containing 0.61 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance to Mr. Archer without advertisement at the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre, or the \$100.00 minimum in this instance, following the usual procedure of conveying reclaimed lake bottom lands.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 547-62-253.12. Robert L. Gill offered \$15.00 per acre as base bid for competitive sale of a sovereign island in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 East, and Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 8 East, containing 41.26 acres, more or less. No bulkhead line was established for the island, and presentation of application was based on Attorney General's Opinion No. 059-217 that the establishment of a bulkhead may be made a prerequisite.

The Director called attention to the policy that survey costs of an applicant for competitive sale be refunded to him by another successful bidder.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for competitive bids and objections, based on the applicant's offer.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

BAY COUNTY: The Director recommended for formal approval by the Trustees the bulkhead line along the easterly shore line of North Bay in Sections 7, 8, 17 and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 14 West, adopted by the County Commission of Bay County on January 18, 1960, for T. Y. Bingham's property which touched on the waters of St. Andrews Bay, Goose Bayou and Upper Goose Bayou. No objections were filed at the local hearing and the State Board of Conservation offered no objections.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Bay County on January 18, 1960.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Director recommended formal approval of bulkhead line established on May 15, 1959, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority at the request of the City of St. Petersburg, lying between 40th Avenue North and 7th Avenue South, being the first segment of the bulkhead line for the city.

Ben Overton presented protest on behalf of Leonard L. Minthorne to a portion in the lower quarter-mile of the bulkhead line, explaining that his client owned an area on the bay side of Sunset Drive which would be too narrow for development within the county's bulkhead line, and therefore he requested the line be extended. He requested that the Trustees not approve the bulkhead line but refer it back to the county for reconsideration. Transcript of the local hearing showed that Mr. Minthorne's protest had been heard.

The Attorney General stated that this was a matter for local determination, and the county appeared to have held to a narrow width to preclude building beyond the highway, however it was suggested that the Trustees hold the matter for thirty days to allow Mr. Overton to ask the county to reconsider.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees postponed action on the City of St. Petersburg bulkhead line for thirty days to allow the objector to take the matter up with the county.

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#### LEASES

STATE DRILLING LEASES NO. 224-A(MODIFIED) AND 224-B(MODIFIED): On February 2 the Trustees referred to the Attorney General for study and advice a request from Coastal Petroleum Company for recognition of drilling and footage credits. By memorandum of February 25th the Attorney General recommended that if credit for footage was given, it should be with the specific recitation in the minutes that it was done without prejudice to the litigation between the parties; that it was distinctly understood that the credit for footage was only for oil and gas and such other minerals as might be recovered through well borings in commercial quantities, as more specifically appearing in the resolution of the Trustees adopted on March 23, 1954; and that no credit for footage be given by so-called "heavy minerals" or minerals recovered in commercial quantities only through dredging or mining.

Motion was made and duly adopted that drilling and footage credits presented February 2 be approved and recognized as compliance with drilling requirements and for extension of Lease 224-A(Modified) for five years from December 27, 1959, and leaving the footage requirements for Lease 224-B(Modified) for five-year period ending March 27, 1961, to be 13,782 feet, and that the recommendations of the Attorney General cited herein be accepted as the action of the Board with reference to this matter.

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STATE DRILLING LEASES NO. 775 AND NO. 1049: The Director recommended cancellation of Lease No. 775 for failure of lessees, Perdido Land Company, Gulf Refining Company and Commonwealth Oil Company, to pay rentals due January 2, 1960, as required by paragraph "3" of the lease; also, he recommended cancellation of Lease No. 1049 for failure of lessee, Perdido Land Company, to pay rentals due as required by paragraph "3" of the lease.

Senator Phillip D. Beall and J. Velma Keen, representing Perdido Land Company, asked that rental payments be accepted and the two leases continued in effect as to the four sections remaining covered by said leases, and offered a cash consideration of \$1,000.00 for a new oil lease on the other lands under Perdido Bay containing approximately 9,484 acres and stated that the company agreed within one year from date of the lease to commence drilling a well in the area. Or, in event the Trustees cancelled the two leases, the company agreed to pay the same cash consideration, \$1,000.00, for a new oil lease covering the entire bottom lands of Perdido Bay and agreed to drill a well in the area within one year.

The Trustees considered that the failure to pay rental amounted to failure of contract, that the drilling of a well within one year would be desirable, and that the second proposition should be accepted.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson and adopted, the Trustees approved cancellation of Leases 775 and 1049, authorized refund of the amount of \$225.60 received after due date from Perdido Land Company, and authorized advertisement for letting of bids for new oil and gas lease on bay bottoms in Perdido Bay.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: Ronald M. Bloodworth applied for commercial sand lease covering 220 by 350 feet of Apalachicola River bottom land adjacent to west shore, being 400 feet west from main channel in front of upland of St. Joe Paper Company in Section 21, Township 8 South, Range 8 West. Information was that applicant was negotiating for lease of adjacent uplands for operations base.

The Director recommended issuance of lease conditioned upon applicant evidencing procurement of lease or permit from upland riparian owner, subject to requirement of permit from U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, royalty of 15¢ per cubic yard with \$20.00 monthly minimum, surety bond in sum of \$1,000.00, and privilege to negotiate renewal at end of one-year period.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved recommendations of the Director as action of the Board.

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LEE COUNTY: Fort Myers Shell Company, holder of non-exclusive Shell Lease No. 1082 expiring October 31, 1961, covering 5 acres in Caloosahatchee River with royalty of 15¢ per cubic yard, proposed cancellation in return for a new lease. Mr. Ferguson explained that under paragraph "4" of the present lease, three thousand pounds was considered a cubic yard, and that at a conference in December 1958 with representatives of lessee it was recognized that weight of a cubic yard of shell would be around 1,500 pounds but efforts heretofore to arrange for royalties at 15¢ per cubic yard only, with 1,500 pound equivalent, failed. Remittances had been paid for under paragraph "4", for units (3,000 pounds) at 15¢, instead of cubic yards. Revenues from sale of shell are remitted to the State Board of Conservation.

The Director recommended that current lease be amended by formal agreement deleting paragraph "4" and such further amendment as might be proper.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, it was ordered that the lease be amended for payment of royalties upon the yardage basis.

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#### EASEMENTS, PERMITS

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: State Road Department requested temporary easement, to terminate the 48th month from date of instrument, for dredging in Section 8, Township 2 South, Range 29 West, 22.96 acres, more or less, for the construction of the Pensacola Bay Bridge.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of easement to the State Road Department as requested.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: Clyde W. Atkinson applied for permit to dredge 2,800 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of Alligator Bay in Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 1 West, Franklin County, to be used to improve his beachfront upland property.



Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to applicant at the standard rate of 5¢ per cubic yard, or total cost of \$140.00.

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**HIGHLANDS COUNTY:** Ralph C. Stangland of Avon Park applied for permit to dredge 200 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Lake Letta in Section 31, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, to be used to improve the shoreline of his residential lots.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Mr. Stangland for the proposed work for the charge of \$25.00.

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**VOLUSIA COUNTY:** Dorothy K. Schoenith, represented by Marine Dredging, Inc., applied for permit to dredge 2,000 cubic yards of fill material from bottoms of Halifax River, east shore, south of Port Orange Bridge, to be used to improve applicant's upland lots in Wilbur-by-the-Sea Subdivision.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to applicant upon receipt of payment at the standard rate of 5¢ per cubic yard, or total cost of \$100.00.

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**STATE PERMITS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DOCKS, WHARVES, PIERS & MARINAS:**

On January 5, 1960, the Trustees authorized a 60-day modification of requirements (established by Trustees December 8, 1959) for state permits for private docks in localities having established procedures for review of plans and issuance of local permits. Conference was held during the 60-day period with representatives of the Attorney General and marine contractors and builders at which recognition was given to the common law right of riparian private owners, their former statutory right and the need for direct, uncomplicated procedure.

Mr. Ferguson presented modified requirements for approval by the Trustees, recommending that commercial and public dock and marina applications be presented to Trustees for formal approval but that simple dock applications be handled at the staff level. He called attention to a letter dated March 4, 1960 from Deputy Clerk D. J. McNevin of Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority concerning regulations and procedures of the Authority, providing for notices to U. S. Engineers and for issuance of notices and holding of public hearings on commercial dock applications, and explained that said regulations had been incorporated into modified requirements presented this date.

William S. Wightman, representing Pinellas County contractors interested in dock construction, requested that Trustees acquiesce in county approval of simple dock construction, since the procedure used by the county in processing permits complied with all the Trustees' requirements, and he called attention to the county's proposed cooperative system whereby work could commence upon issuance of county permit, but Trustees reserved the right to disapprove and revoke such permit if found to be not in order.

The Director cited need for some discretionary authority to the staff in licensing private simple docks since the degree of local regulation and procedures is not uniform over the state; that generally, the application would include legal description of applicant's waterfront upland, with prints showing location, construction details and the names and addresses of adjacent waterfront owners, accompanied by statement that the dock is for private use only. As to commercial and public piers, docks, wharves and marinas it was recommended that in localities where notices to adjacent owners are not issued and a hearing held, and in instances where written consent of the adjacent owners is not furnished, the staff should issue a two-week notice for objections, also that if

a local permit had issued for such facility the requirement of a formal resolution by the local governing body should be waived.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, and adopted, that requirements be coordinated, with discretion, for counties having established regulatory procedures, particularly for Pinellas County under the procedure outlined in Mr. McNevin's letter, and that the Director's recommendations for modified dock requirements be approved.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved bidding report No. 746 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorized issuance of County of Hernando Deed No. 532-Corrective to Donald W. Fatic, Jr., to correct part of the description in original deed dated January 28, 1949, as approved by the Attorney General's office.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

*Ray E. Green*  
COMPTROLLER - ACTING CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: *[Signature]*  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 22, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings of March 1 and 8, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to all members.

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LAND SALES

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 542-11-253.12. On December 29, 1959, the Trustees considered application from Marco Development Corporation, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Big Marco Pass in Section 5, Township 52 South, Range 26 East, containing 1.87 acres, more or less, and authorized advertisement for objections only subject to applicant offering \$2,500.00 for the parcel. The land was advertised in the Collier County News, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, that the sale be confirmed in favor of Marco Development Corporation based on offer of \$2,500.00 for the parcel.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 578-44-253.12. On February 2 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Morris H. Dolinsky, abutting upland owner, for purchase of 0.48 of an acre of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 22, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, and 0.24 of an acre of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 15, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, both parcels in Lower Matecumbe Key. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the two parcels advertised to Mr. Dolinsky at \$425.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

BROWARD COUNTY: File No. 619-06-253.12. Gustav A. Olofsson and wife, abutting upland owner represented by Fleming, O'Bryan and Fleming, applied for conveyance under Section 253.12(1), Florida Statutes of 1957, of a 10-foot strip of land containing 200 square feet in Section 29, Township 48 South, Range 43 East, filled in October 1955 - prior to the Bulkhead Act.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance pursuant to said statute, for the minimum charge of \$100.00 for the parcel.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 602-13-253.12. Alfred B. Parker and C. D. McCormick, abutting upland owners represented by John D. Moriarty, offered the appraised price of \$3,500.00 per acre for two contiguous parcels of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 21, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, comprising 0.58 of an acre, in the City of Miami within the established bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcels advertised for objections only, based on applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: Samuel B. Ohlbaum, on behalf of Sidarlen Development Corporation, requested reconsideration by the Trustees of application to enlarge its former purchase of submerged land in Long Key by purchase of 9.5 acres in Section 4, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, and 20.6 acres in Section 3, Township 65 South, Range 35 East. The application was denied by the Trustees on October 21, 1958 and on January 13, 1959, and the Director stated that the areas sought would encroach upon riparian rights of others and filling would create navigational problems.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees denied the application, confirming their former rejection.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 603-44-253.12. Kirby L. McClain, Jr., and Enchanted Island, Inc., the abutting upland owners, represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established prices of \$300.00 per acre for Parcel "a" containing 4.71 acres, and \$250.00 per acre for Parcels "b" and "c" containing a total of 19.27 acres. The three parcels of submerged land comprised a total of 23.98 acres, more or less, in the Bay of Florida in Section 26, Township 67 South, Range 27 East, Raccoon Key.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the land advertised for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 606-44-253.12. Edwin E. Erwin and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.43 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the application for advertisement for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 607-44-253.12. Frank B. Lenz and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 12 and 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the application for advertisement for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 610-44-253.12. Edith E. Lounsbury, abutting upland owner, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the application for advertisement for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 611-44-253.12. Albert J. Vondersaar and wife offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for 0.56 of an acre of submerged land in Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, adjacent to their upland property.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 613-44-253.12. Charles W. Pierce and wife, abutting upland owners, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for 0.41 of an acre of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 10, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only, based on the applicants' offer.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 616-50-253.36. Albert L. Snyder and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by Ralph O. Johnson, applied to purchase a parcel of reclaimed lake bottom land in Section 18, Township 42 South, Range 37 East, 0.13 of an acre, in the City of Pahokee. The Director recommended conveyance without advertising, in the usual manner for reclaimed lake bottom lands, for the established price of \$700.00 per acre, or in this instance \$100.00 minimum.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance of the parcel to the applicant, for the minimum amount, \$100.00.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 546-58-253.12. On January 5, 1960, the Trustees considered offer of \$200.00 per acre from the City of

Sarasota for a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, containing 16.14 acres adjacent to the City Municipal Center, within the established bulkhead line. The Trustees expressed willingness to grant or convey the land to the city for public purposes without consideration, and restrictive clause was prepared by the Attorney General's office for inclusion in the deed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of the parcel to be conveyed to the City of Sarasota without charge, for municipal purposes.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Bulkhead Line and Application. File 617-52-253.12. The Director recommended to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established on December 10, 1959, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, at the request of the City of Madeira Beach, in Boca Ciega Bay within the corporate limits of the city. Also, he recommended the application by the City of Madeira Beach, abutting upland owner, for conveyance for public purposes of a parcel of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in Section 9, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, containing 15 acres, more or less, desired by the city for future planning and development of its Municipal Civic Center.

On behalf of the City of Madeira Beach, City Manager Harry P. Palmer and City Attorney L. D. Childs further explained the city's application. Adrian S. Bacon stated that his client, the Union Trust Company, the only riparian owner involved, had no objections to the city's plan.

Upon presentation of the approval from the City of Madeira Beach, Pinellas County Authority, and adjacent land owner, the Trustees, upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, formally approved the bulkhead line and agreed to advertise for objections only the parcel desired by the city for public purposes.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: Bulkhead Line and Application. File 492-62-253.12. The Director referred to the Trustees for approval bulkhead line re-enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County for Keaton Beach, Inc., shown on county bulkhead map as established and approved on March 7, 1960, recorded in Plat Book 1, page 111 of Taylor County records. The Trustees examined the map and ascertained that the error noted on another map examined on March 1, 1960, had been corrected.

Without objection, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established on March 7, 1960, by Taylor County in the Gulf of Mexico offshore from applicant's upland in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East.

Keaton Beach, Inc., represented by Carl R. Cooney, had applied to purchase approximately 32.34 acres of submerged land landward of the southerly portion of the bulkhead line, had requested adjustment of price, and the Director discussed with the Board facts concerning the appraisals which did not seem realistic to the staff.

In view of the policy of basing sales generally on local appraisals, the Trustees deferred action on the application to purchase, and asked the Director to make further investigation.

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MONROE COUNTY: Hugh J. McManigal presented a basic development plan for a large shallow mud bank mainly exposed at low tide, lying between his properties on Cotton Key and the north end of Upper Matecumbe Key, west of Whale Harbor Bridge. He desired assurance that, in the event such plan was developed, the Trustees would consider sale and authorize the usual advertisement for objections

of the sovereignty area, little of which was within 1,000 feet of other riparian upland ownerships. His proposal included extending the seven-foot depth of the Intracoastal Waterway from Cross Bank past the development to make yacht and water commerce possible through the zone toward Marathon and the Middle Keys. Mr. McManigal displayed maps, aerial photos, and by overlay on coast chart showed his plan to develop the existing upland and the mud shallows into a system of islands, bridges, waterways, and stated that about 125 acres of the estimated total 595 acres would be for roads, causeway-bridge connections and beaches. To achieve the best design for land masses and water passages, he planned to secure hydraulic engineering study and plan for construction of a desirable resort community.

The Director advised that the applicant had contacted the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, had conferred with the staff several times during the year he had been planning the project - which appeared to be a desirable type of development - that in order to justify the expenditures of time and money required for completion of an engineering plan Mr. McManigal desired tentative approval of the Board.

Without objection, the Trustees agreed that the area be authorized for advertisement for objections only, by general description which would be subject to adjustment to fit plan.

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#### LEASES

STATE DRILLING LEASE NO. 340-340-A: On February 16, 1960, the Trustees allowed withdrawal of Commonwealth Oil Company's requests for extension, thereby rescinded Trustees' action on December 15, 1959, and January 5, 1960, relating to State Drilling Lease No. 340-340-A. The action of February 16 was in fact a cancellation of said lease for failure of Commonwealth Oil Company and Coastal Petroleum Company to pay rentals due December 20, 1959, and failure of all parties under the lease to commence a well which was required to be begun January 14, 1960.

Davis Petroleum Company, holder of assignment covering 3,840 acres under the lease, had made payment of its share of rental prior to the due date of December 20, 1959, and agreed to accept refund of the advance rental paid, amounting to \$384.00, and to grant formal release. The Director recommended that the refund be made since the rental was tendered and accepted prior to the date the lease became subject to termination.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized refund to Davis Petroleum Company of the amount of \$384.00, and directed that the minutes show confirmation of cancellation of Lease No. 340-340-A.

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STATE DRILLING LEASE NO. 833: J. L. McCord on behalf of Commonwealth Oil Company, holder of Lease No. 833 covering an offshore area from Apalachicola River west to the Perdido River, requested modification of the lease so that, effective after date of the lease period ending December 6, 1961, Paragraph 1, Section 2 of the lease would require each well drilled to a depth of not less than 10,000 feet in each two and one-half year period, instead of 6,000 feet now called for to extend two and one-half year lease period. He stated that 6,000 foot depth was inadequate for testing and interpretation of drilling operations, that Dr. Robert O. Vernon, State Geologist, viewed the proposal favorably, that Mr. Ferguson saw nothing detrimental to the interest of the state, and that he had discussed this with the Attorney General. It was brought out that D. J. Monroe of Sun Oil Company, although making no specific protest, had asked that the Trustees delay consideration of the matter, and the Trustees stated that Mr. Monroe would be heard at a later date, if he desired.

Attorney General Ervin suggested approval by the Board subject to concurrence of the Attorney General after study of the matter by Ralph M. McLane.



It was so ordered.

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GLADES COUNTY: On February 16, 1960, application of Mrs. Pearl Pearce Stevens was heard for 5-year extension of Grazing Lease No. 404-A covering 296.1 acres of Lake Okeechobee bottom lands in Township 39 South, Range 24 East, at \$1.00 per acre per year. The Director recommended new lease with 120-day cancellation clause and exemption of the state from liability as to flooding.

Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District and the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, to which agencies the proposed extension was referred for recommendation, both approved extension with the 120-day cancellation clause.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized extension by issuance of new 5-year lease for same rental, including provision for cancellation on 120-day notice in writing and with clause exempting state from liability arising out of any claims or damage resulting from flooding.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit or easement to the State Road Department for removal of approximately 30,000 cubic yards of material from the City of Titusville Yacht Basin, dredging to be completed prior to March 1, 1962, for use in construction of four-lane route for State Road No. 5 in the city.

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DADE COUNTY: On February 16, 1960, in connection with consideration of applications to purchase submerged lands in Biscayne Bay, the Trustees stated they desired the cooperation of Dade County in study and discussion of development plans for submerged areas so that designation might be made of suitable areas to be reserved for public purposes.

On March 8, 1960, the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County adopted Resolution No. 4727 requesting Trustees not to sell any submerged land in lower Biscayne Bay unless appropriate areas were provided for public use.

Upon motion, unanimously approved, the Trustees adopted the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund have expressed the view that consideration should be given to the end that adequate portions of state-owned submerged land should be preserved for the future needs of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County was requested to advise the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund concerning the specific lands required for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition or preservation of appropriate lands for public use should be coordinated with the plans and designs of private owners to the fullest possible extent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County has suggested that private rights and public rights might best be served by requiring that private owners seeking to purchase such submerged lands submit to the County Commission for consideration and approval their proposed plans, designs and sketches for the use, development and improvement of such lands,

in order that the public needs may conform as nearly as possible to such private plans of development, subject to review and final approval by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, that as a condition precedent for the sale of any submerged lands lying between the approved bulkhead lines and the Ragged Keys, and other islands in Lower Biscayne Bay, in Dade County, Florida, that the applicants or prospective purchasers first submit to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration and approval plans or sketches showing the proposed use, development and improvement of such lands and the portions thereof to be reserved or allocated for public use, such as road rights of way, parks, beaches, recreational areas, school sites, or other public facilities, in order that the needs and requirements of the public in respect to such lands may reasonably conform to and implement the private ownership and use to the fullest possible extent, subject to review and final determination by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County will be afforded an opportunity to be heard in respect to this matter prior to making any sales of the submerged lands herein mentioned.

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DADE COUNTY: William R. Callinan applied to lease or purchase a sovereignty shoal area in South Bay directly south of Key Biscayne lighthouse, to establish a private yacht club and restaurant. The Director advised that the area did not appear to be within the established bulkhead line, and recommended that applications for lease to place new structures in that area be declined unless showing was made of public interest.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees denied the application by Mr. Callinan.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Ida M. Vagnier applied for permit to dredge 200 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Dinner Lake in an area riparian to her upland lots in Sunset Heights Subdivision in Township 34 South, Range 29 East, to improve her beach frontage.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit, subject to approval of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, for the charge of \$25.00.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: File No. 624-31-253.12(1): The Title Security Company, on behalf of co-owners David R. Langfitt and Vero Beach Shores, Inc., applied for quitclaim under Section 253.12(1) of two small filled parcels of sovereign lands totalling 0.56 of an acre, more or less, being parts of lots of Silver Shores Unit No. 2 Subdivision in Sections 29 and 30, Township 32 South, Range 40 East. Appraised price of submerged bottoms in the areas was \$200.00 per acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance under said statute to the applicants, for the consideration of \$125.00.

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LEE AND CHARLOTTE COUNTIES: On February 16, 1960, the Trustees approved the application of the West Coast Inland Navigation District for easements for additional and adjusted rights of way through the open waters in Lee and Charlotte Counties and the District now desired to modify the descriptions. It was requested

that approval be granted to accept a reconveyance of the easements for canal rights of way formerly granted to the District by Trustees Instrument Nos. 21486 and 21487, both dated January 29, 1957, and to re-issue subject easements to include modified descriptions referenced to the original surveys of the areas involved and slight adjustments in the alignment.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the reconveyance and issuance of easements as requested by West Coast Inland Navigation District.

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 272-41-253.124. Without objection, the Trustees approved the fill permit issued by the Town of Longboat Key to Arthur B. Sachs, Trustee, covering an area recently conveyed by Trustees within the established bulkhead line.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Director recommended granting of easement to the City of Key West Utility Board, for extension of power line across shallow sovereignty area between Big Coppitt Key and East Rockland Key in Section 21, Township 67 South, Range 26 East, subject to compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations concerning power transmission.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of easement as recommended by the Director.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: Fort Walton Yacht Club, at Elliot's Point on Cinco Bayou, applied for permit for installation of two docks with boat slips. The Director stated that applicant considered docks for private use, but since at least 20 boats would be accommodated by one of the docks and the processing fee had been required from yacht clubs heretofore, waiver of the fee was not recommended.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized permit for the two docks, upon payment of the \$100.00 processing fee.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Harry A. Johnston, County Attorney, submitted County Resolution adopted February 23, 1960, requesting ten-year extension from expiration date of March 28, 1960, of Permit No. 700-A granted to the county on May 14, 1957 for rock-pit purposes. Information was that permit covered 23.5 acres of sovereignty land in Section 1, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, granted by Permit No. 700 dated March 28, 1950 and an additional adjoining tract granted in 1957, at which time the original permit was cancelled and both tracts included in Permit No. 700-A.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized 10-year extension of Permit No. 700-A to Palm Beach County for rock-pit use, title to the land to remain in the state.

The Trustees discussed the unsafe and unsightly conditions often left by such operations, and the Attorney General was requested to give consideration to standards to be included in future instruments for restoration in some measure when work was completed.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 288-52-253.124. Without objection, the Trustees gave formal approval to Fill Permit No. DO 11 granted to Horace H. Hamlin, Jr., by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on March 10, 1960, for improving the waterway by dredging and improvement of his upland with the material.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Leo Butler, on behalf of J. H. Bolesta and wife, applied for deed to correct the description in Trustees' Deed No. 21239 dated June 14, 1956, wherein the point of beginning shown as the "SE corner of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 33-29-16" should have been "SE corner of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ " of said section.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of corrective deed for the handling charge of \$10.00.

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POLK COUNTY: Wahneta Drainage District, represented by W. J. Touchton, Secretary of its Board of Supervisors, recommended that the Trustees, as Board of Drainage Commissioners of the State under provisions of Section 298.12, appoint Charles P. McEnroe to succeed himself as Supervisor for a term of three years from March 14, 1960, since there was less than a quorum present at landowners' meeting and no election could be had.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees appointed Mr. McEnroe as Supervisor of Wahneta Drainage District for the three-year term, in accordance with request of the District's Secretary.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: On February 16 the Trustees deferred action on application by Lyman L. McGrath for permit to construct commercial fishing pier in the Atlantic Ocean in front of his property in Section 55, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, plan having been approved by the City of New Smyrna Beach and by adjacent owners to the north.

Mr. F. T. Meriwether and wife, adjacent owners to the south, objected on the grounds of infringement on their riparian rights, obstruction of view, bathing, fishing and navigation, accretion, and damage to their property value.

The Director advised the Trustees that the pier was planned at right angles to the shore in the zone riparian to applicant, that deck-and-open-trestle dock plan would not cause erosion or tidal problems, and that the approval of the city was construed as granted with due consideration to zoning.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and authorized permit to Mr. McGrath upon payment of the processing fee of \$100.00.

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SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Without objection, the Trustees authorized issuance of 48-month dredging easement to the State Road Department to obtain material from an area 500 by 1,000 feet in Pensacola Bay for improvement of Project 580-30-2202, State Road 30, consent having been reported given by upland owner.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: On December 15, 1959, the Trustees approved grant of \$40,000.00 to the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials to be used for the purpose requested of increasing sanitary facilities for campers in Collier-Seminole State Park where it was represented that an emergency situation existed.

Director Emmet L. Hill of the Park Board came before the Trustees on this date and reported tabulation of bids for the facilities to be constructed at Collier-Seminole State Park, and that bids for the work had been taken and contract awarded based on total bid of \$31,794.00 but that in addition a minor change desired (since opening of bids) would increase the amount to approximately \$32,000.00.

The Trustees expressed approval of the report which showed that the necessary emergency work would be done for less cost than was estimated.

Without objection, the report was accepted for inclusion in the minutes.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Report No. 747 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of Murphy Act land; also authorized issuance of County of Hillsborough Deed No. 1688-Duplicate to Louis Gendreau, and County of Sarasota Deed No. 422-Corrective-Supplemental to J. E. Bartlett & Son, Inc., these two deeds having been approved by the Attorney General's office.

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LIBERTY COUNTY: Ronald Brugh, of the St. Joe Paper Company, requested cancellation of tax sale Certificate No. 169 of 1933 for 1932 taxes, under which the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 7 West, Liberty County, reverted to the State of Florida under the Murphy Act. Mr. Brugh explained that many records were destroyed when Liberty County Courthouse burned, tax rolls were incomplete, that taxes for 1932 could have been paid but tax collector's copy of receipt was not found.

The matter was studied by the Trustees' Tax Clerk and two Assistants Attorney General, who concurred in finding that the certificate was not entitled to cancellation for the reason that the Murphy Act required redemption on or before June 9, 1939, and for the reason that there was no proof that the 1932 taxes were ever paid.

The Governor suggested, and it was agreed, that application be made for conveyance under Chapter 28317, commonly called the Hardship Act, for the consideration of the sum of all delinquent taxes plus interest and handling fee.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees denied application for cancellation of the certificate, but indicated that favorable consideration would be given to an application under the Hardship Act.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
March 29, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's office, in the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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## LAND SALE

PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 569-52-253.12. Abutting upland owner, Baywood Associates, Ltd., represented by Kenyon Heenan, Trustee, offered the appraised price of \$600.00 per acre for purchase of 9.5 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Section 23, Township 27 South, Range 15 East, in St. Joseph Sound, within the established bulkhead line. Sale was approved on December 10, 1959, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, and was advertised by the county for sale by Trustees on January 12, 1960; however, action was deferred until application data was completed by the applicant. No objections were received to the sale of the land.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to Baywood Associates, for the appraised price.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 502-44-253.12. J. R. Matthews and Grace E. Matthews, riparian upland owners, offered \$200.00 per acre for 16 acres of submerged land in an arm of Bogie Channel, adjacent to applicant's Government Lot 2 of Section 14, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, at Big Pine Key. Application for 24 acres was filed in September 1959 at which time the Trustees' staff required offer of the then-prevailing price of \$200.00 per acre but declined to recommend the area and layout presented, requiring new survey of the parcel reduced to 16 acres. On October 27, 1959, in connection with other Monroe County sales, the Trustees ordered increases in prices including increase to \$300.00 per acre of land applied for on the basis of \$200.00 per acre. Therefore, when Mr. Matthews submitted his new survey in February 1960, he was informed of the increase of price to \$300.00 per acre. Mr. Matthews thought he was entitled to purchase at the \$200.00 per acre price quoted when he filed his application in September 1959 and paid the required \$50.00 processing fee.

The Director recommended that consideration be given to the request of Mr. Matthews and suggested that increases apply only to applications filed since the increase and to applications dormant by failure of applicant to furnish necessary data before processing application, since confusion had resulted from increases imposed after applications were filed with offer of the then-prevailing price which was required by the staff. The majority of Monroe County sales were around one acre, and the increase in price for such small areas had not had the effect it would have on the larger areas processed.

Governor Collins stated that it should be understood that the price to control must be the one at the time of the sale - not application.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, subject to applicant's acceptance of the price of \$300.00 per acre.

MONROE COUNTY: Presented for preliminary consideration was application by Ralph E. Lewis, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Raymond A. Webb, for purchase at the established price of \$250.00 per acre of a parcel of submerged land in Long Key Bight in Sections 34 and 35, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 59.21 acres, more or less, intended for use as access causeway with airstrip, from applicant's property on the easterly end of the south arm of Long Key to the Overseas Highway.

Mr. Webb displayed coast chart and maps, stated that the owner had invested a quarter-million dollars and was denied access to his property through adjoining private property, and explained their preliminary land plan which included channel and beach improvement and high-grade development.



The Trustees instructed the Director to refer the proposed plan to the Coastal Engineering Laboratory for preliminary feasibility review and report to the Trustees.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 608-50-253.12. The First Baptist Church of West Palm Beach, abutting upland owner, represented by C. Robert Burns, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129, F. S. 1957, of 1.32 acres filled prior to the bulkhead act between Lake Worth and upland parcel owned by the church, and (b) purchase for nominal price of 1.262 acres of Lake Worth sovereignty land within the established bulkhead line desired solely for off-street parking purposes. The 1.262-acre parcel was appraised at \$3,780.12, and the Director called attention to Section 6 of the Declaration of Rights of the Florida Constitution setting forth that preference could not be given nor money taken directly or indirectly to aid a religious denomination.

Mr. Burns requested some cut in price, with deed restricting use of the parcel for public parking. However, Mr. Ferguson thought it might be better for the area to be maintained by the city, for use for free public parking which would include use by the church. Without objection, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 consideration, and agreed to sale to the church for \$1,000.00 subject to use restriction for public parking, advertisement for objections, and details to be worked out by the Director and Assistant Attorney General McLane.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: On February 23, 1960, the Trustees instructed the Director to contact the appraiser who had fixed a value of \$934.00 per acre for submerged land sold on that date, for information concerning current prices in the Lake Worth area. Appraiser advised that he found no change in prices in the area, and he stated that the state was not entitled to the full fair market value since sale could be made only to the upland riparian owner and therefore he had used a one-third discount to arrive at the appraised price submitted.

The Director felt that the state was entitled to full value since it did not get the benefit of open competitive sale, and that upland owner was not entitled to a discount. Therefore, the fair market value per acre would be \$1,401.00 per acre, not \$934.00.

The Trustees agreed with the recommendation of the Director, rejecting the idea that upland owners should receive discounts when buying adjoining submerged lands from the state, and accepted the amount of \$1,401.00 per acre as the current value of the land referred to.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 612-50-253.12. Katherine C. Arnold, et al, abutting upland owners represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes of 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 2.145 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 43 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.865 of an acre.

The Director recommended authority be granted to issue the disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00 handling charge, and to advertise for objections only the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed subject to acceptance of the price of \$1,401.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board.

### BULKHEAD LINES

BREVARD COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County by Resolution adopted March 10, 1960, recalled its bulkhead line for the "Thousand Islands" area near Cocoa Beach, stating that the line needed adjustment. The line in question, fixed in 1958, had not been approved by the Trustees. The Board directed that the recall be reported for the Minutes.

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LEE COUNTY: The Director recommended to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established on December 9, 1959, by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County at McGregor Isles along a portion of the easterly shore of the Caloosahatchee River in Sections 16 and 17, Township 45 South, Range 24 East. The map submitted showed that the bulkhead line substantially straightened up the shore line.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line fixed by Lee County on December 9, 1959.

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### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: J. D. Barnes, holder of Campsite Lease No. 748, Long Arsenicker Key, applied for 10-year renewal of lease. Inasmuch as there was possibility of need of the area for public causeway right of way, the Director recommended new lease with 120-day cancellation clause, at the present rate of \$50.00 per year for six years from expiration of the current lease expiring April 15, 1960, which term would correspond to other leases in the area as to termination.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: By Resolution adopted November 9, 1959, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County requested that a 7-acre parcel of reclaimed bottoms of Lake Okeechobee in Section 7, Township 43 South, Range 37 East, (within the boundaries of the Pelican Bay tract under current lease to Richlands) be made available to the county for public park purposes. The Trustees examined the map which showed the parcel cut off by road from the major part of the Pelican Bay tract.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved perpetual dedication to the county for public park purposes at expiration date of the current lease, June 30, 1960, and directed deletion of the 7-acre parcel from the description of the whole tract that may be re-leased in the future.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: By Resolution adopted December 14, 1959, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County requested conveyance of 75 acres in Section 36, Township 42 South, Range 36 East, and Section 1, Township 43 South, Range 36 East, for public airport purposes. The land was part of the Pelican Bay farm tract currently under lease to Richlands, Inc., and included the site of the principal pumps and drainage canals Lateral "A" and Lateral "C", the pumps and Lateral "A" being required to handle waters from Pahokee Drainage District as well as from the farm tract. The County Engineer advised that airport extension was not now in prospect, and since the drainage facilities were a necessary part of the Pelican Bay farm operation, the county desired the 75-acre tract withheld from any sale in order that it might be made available upon one-year's advance notice.

The Director recommended that the 75 acres be withheld from any sale, remain within the tract subject to re-lease after expiration date of the Richlands lease, June 30, 1960, and that lease include provision for cancellation on one-year's notice if required for airport or other public purpose and assurance given that the drainage and pumping facilities then on the tract would be adequately taken care of for maintenance of drainage and water control to continue unhampered. The Board agreed that the facilities should be maintained.

Without objection, the Trustees approved the Director's recommendation that the 75-acre tract be ordered withheld from any sale, remain within the Pelican Bay farm tract for future lease, and that lease of the 75 acres include provision for cancellation on one-year's notice for public purposes and assurance that the drainage and pumping works then on the tract be adequately taken care of for continued drainage and water control.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** On September 29, 1959, the Trustees deferred action for six months on proposed offering for new lease of the Pelican Bay tract, current farm lease No. 728 to Richlands, Inc., expiring by its own terms June 30, 1960. The Director and Assistant Attorney General McLane on March 10, 1960 inspected improvements placed on the property by Richlands, Inc., lessee for the past 25 years, completed research in the files and minutes, and reported to the Board that Richlands and the state were in agreement as to what improvements were classed "removable", which included all buildings, pumps and power equipment, silos, windmills, barns, fences - it appeared that the parties had contracted that only those things that went with the canals and roads were not removable. Richlands, Inc., had submitted its list with price for sale of the improvements in the event it was not successful bidder for new lease.

W. G. Hull, for Richlands, asked for 8 months to remove the improvements, but the Director pointed out that under the current lease, lessee was entitled to remove such items prior to expiration date of June 30, 1960, and that allowance of eight months would impair the right of a new lessee to utilize the tract. He asked Trustees to fix a date for removal, in the event lease was granted to a new lessee, with forfeiture of items not removed within that period - unless purchased by new lessee.

The Director suggested modifications of the prospectus presented to the Board at the September 29th meeting, recommending 25-year lease with possible increases in rental at the end of the 8th and 17th years, provision for possible withdrawal of 75 acres west of State Road 717 for Palm Beach County Airport extension, with appropriate provisions to guarantee preservation of drainage facilities, and deletion of 7 acres for county park. He recommended that the prospectus be issued without advertisement, to the eighty-eight prospects to lease the farm tract, that sealed bids be opened and oral competitive bidding be held in the Board Room on May 24th.

C. Robert Burns, representing Richlands, Inc., stated that they had developed a fine farm tract, paid nearly a million dollars in rental to the state and did not feel that the current rent was so low, that in addition to the U. S. levee, they had put in 42 miles of canals, that they desired to bid on the new lease and wanted to get a decision in the matter. Mr. Hull emphasized that the pumps had to run every day to prevent flooding of the land and state road.

The Trustees decided that, rather than to have the property removed, the successful bidder should be required to purchase the facilities, and then farm operations could go on immediately upon lessee taking possession.

After full discussion of the subject, it was the decision of the Trustees that prospectus be distributed as recommended by the Director, that publicity in the newspaper would be desirable but no advertisement in the manner of land sales; that the Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids; that competitive bids be taken



May 24th for lease effective immediately after the current lease terminates, June 30, 1960; that successful bidder, if not Richlands, Inc., be required to purchase the facilities termed "removable".

It was so ordered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: On February 16, 1955, the Trustees conveyed to Palm Beach County for public purposes, by Deed No. 20855, a tract of sovereignty land in Section 31, Township 40 South, Range 43 East, and Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 43 East, formerly Maintenance Spoil Area 605 of Intracoastal Waterway, the tract lying between the Intracoastal Waterway and State Road 5. The County proposed to reconvey 1.4 acres, more or less, in said Section 6, so that the riparian upland owner might make application to purchase within the bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to accept reconveyance of the parcel as requested by Palm Beach County.

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ORANGE COUNTY: The Director presented request by telegram to Governor Collins from Jack McDowall, Chairman of Board of County Commissioners of Orange County and Lake Conway Water & Navigation Control District, for emergency permission for a period of thirty days for residents on flooded Lake Conway property to dredge material from directly in front of their lots to fill upland for protection against further water damage. Mr. Ferguson recommended approval for the protective work, not to extend uplands, subject to permission and work being handled through the county.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dredging in Lake Conway for the purpose requested, subject to permission from the county and work being under the jurisdiction of Orange County.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: The Director recommended employment of Mrs. Catherine Smith as an assistant to work with records of early conveyances and public lands handled by the Trustees. He suggested 90-day probation period at \$275.00 per month subject to increase of \$15.00 per month if probation period justified.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved employment of Mrs. Smith as recommended, subject to approval of the Budget Commission.

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TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase of four copies of the Florida Atlas, to be issued shortly by the University Press, Gainesville, for use in State Land Office and Trustees' Office.

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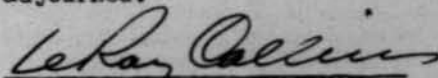
#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296


Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 748 listing four regular bids for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and also approved issuance of the following deeds: Bay County Deed No. 6-Duplicate to Mrs. R. R. Prows to replace lost deed, Broward County Deed No. 1148-Cor. Suppl. to Bernice E. Goozee to correct description of the land conveyed, Dade County Deed No. 34-Cor. to B. A. Hewett and L. D. Hewett to correct description of the land conveyed, and Sarasota County Deed No. 1353-Cor. to R. S. Barnard to correct description of the land conveyed.

NASSAU COUNTY: Application was presented from the City of Fernandina Beach for conveyance under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, without advertisement or public sale, of Lot 20, Block 155 in Fernandina, being 25 feet by 100 feet, embraced in Murphy Act Tax Sale Certificate No. 4394 of 1933.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance to the City of Fernandina Beach as requested, upon receipt of \$250.00, the current market value.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 5, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, in the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

DADE COUNTY: File Nos. 439 and 440-13-253.12. Presented to the Board for further consideration were applications from (1) Rosalie and Geraldine Wolfe, owners of East 50 feet of Lot 1, Coral Park, and (2) Iris Ann Savage, owner of Lot 2, Coral Park, who offered the appraised price of \$3,125.00 per acre for 1.44 acres and 1.1 acres, respectively, of submerged land in Biscayne Bay abutting their upland out to the established bulkhead line. On December 29, 1959, the Trustees deferred action to allow applicants to take up with the City of Miami an objection filed in its behalf regarding the bottom land in front of the platted easement "Coral Way", and the city withdrew objection to sale on February 25, 1960. However, further objections were filed from owners of lots in the subdivision.

The Director recommended that objections be overruled and sales confirmed, excepting a 34-foot extension to be taken equally from each application, to be dedicated to the water's edge, with cul-de-sac at the bulkhead line, and that deeds be held 30 days before delivery.

E. S. Quick, attorney for the applicants, urged confirmation of the sales, stating that the city had approved the sales and any filling would require permit from the city.

Attorney General Ervin mentioned past instances where the Trustees had received vigorous protests to sales, and discussed a lawsuit pending regarding filling Biscayne Bay bottoms.

Upon motion by Mr. Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action until after further investigation by the Director.

## APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 627-43-253.12. W. L. Bailey and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Oughterson, Scott and Oughterson, offered the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 3.36 acres, more or less.

Upon motion made by Comptroller Green and duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 626-44-253.12. Yievan J. Ceikus, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 12, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing approximately 0.23 of an acre.

Upon motion made by Comptroller Green and duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections.

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MONROE COUNTY: Fred Tittle, on behalf of Lula Hall, applied for deed under provisions of Section 253.12(1) Florida Statutes 1957, to a 0.16 acre parcel of formerly submerged bottom land in Section 9, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, Key Vaca, filled prior to June 11, 1957 and subsequent to May 29, 1951. The Director recommended conveyance at the established price of \$425.00 per acre, or the \$100.00 minimum.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the instrument as requested, for \$100.00 minimum charge.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 511-50-253.12. The Trustees considered the application deferred on January 5, 1960, from Mugwump, Inc., abutting upland owner, for disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to 0.361 of an acre of filled land, and offer of the appraised price of \$2,995.50 per acre for 0.713 of an acre of submerged land in Lake Worth easterly of and abutting parcel to be disclaimed, out to the bulkhead line previously established, both parcels lying in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East. It was explained that applicant gave the perpetual easement for Flagler Drive to cross land filled under the old Butler Act, retaining one-foot strip lakeward from the Drive, and that the City of West Palm Beach waived objection to the sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer requested for \$10.00 charge, and advertisement of the 0.713 acre parcel for objections only based on the applicant's offer.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Ben F. Overton, attorney representing George Marsic and Ada Marsic, his wife, abutting owners by Trustees' deed (which, however, contained erroneous description) offered the 1956 value of \$100.00 per acre for 4.8 acres of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay lying east, north and west of the northerly one acre of Panama Key. Based on prior action of the Trustees, application was presented under Section 253.12 Florida Statutes of 1955 (since amended), as the application for submerged land marginal to the northerly one acre of Panama Key was pending prior to passage of Chapter 57-362. The application embraced land not in the original application, and no bulkhead line had been fixed under provisions of Chapter 57-362. Applicant had indicated willingness to reconvey northerly one acre of Panama Key in exchange for deed of the same area with correct legal



description, and requested approval of the sale without requirement of bulkhead line, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the deed exchange, the application, and authorized advertisement for objections only.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 492-62-253.12. The Trustees discussed the application by Keaton Beach, Inc., upland riparian owner, for 32.34 acres of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East, which was deferred on March 22 for the Director to review with the appraiser his report fixing the value of \$200.00 per acre. The Director reported that the appraiser did not wish to revise his valuation.

Upon hearing statement of Carl R. Cooney, for Keaton Beach, Inc., that upland acreage had been offered to them at \$100.00 per acre, and in view of all the information presented and low appraisals made on submerged lands in similarly undeveloped areas (Gulf and Franklin Counties), the Trustees asked that the services of a certified appraiser be secured.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, action on the application by Keaton Beach, Inc., was again deferred until another appraisal report was received.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

PASCO COUNTY: File No. 600-51-253.12. Referred to the Trustees for formal approval was the bulkhead line fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County on February 10, 1960, in the Gulf of Mexico in front of upland property of Robert E. Maxwell. The Director stated that the line had been worked out in accordance with suggestions of the staff, provided fair allocation of bottom lands to riparian upland owners, maximum depth at mean low water within the line was less than two feet, and the offshore limit of the line was coordinated with the bulkhead line and sale to the City of Port Richey and the Burkland development project to the north, and on the south would be coordinated with Bailey's Bluff.

W. M. Larkin and J. C. Getzen, representing B. I. Mickler, protested that the bulkhead line and proposed purchase would destroy Mr. Mickler's open water frontage except for approximately 700 feet, that part of Government Lot 1 of Section 23 to which he claimed ownership would be included, and that it would adversely affect beauty and tidal flow of the area. Mr. Mickler insisted that his view should remain open to the north, not angled as shown on map of the proposed bulkhead line and application to be made by Robert E. Maxwell after approval of the line.

J. Lewis Hall, attorney representing Mr. Maxwell, stated that his client had worked with the Trustees' staff and the County Commissioners, had made concession to objector by revising angle of the line, that the layout was an equitable apportionment of the submerged area, that other adjacent owners did not object, and urged approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established by the County Commission.

The Trustees noted that the shape of the shoreline on the plat indicated adjustments should be made rather than extension of upland boundaries which would completely cut off some owners, and suggested that the parties try to work out a solution, that Mr. Mickler prepare his application for submerged land, and that they carry it back to the county for a bulkhead line covering the larger area.

After a conference between the two parties, Mr. Hall reported that Mr. Mickler agreed to withdraw his objection upon Mr. Maxwell agreeing to move the position of the line to the northeast, that Mr. Maxwell offered the services of his engineer for revision of the bulkhead line to include Mr. Mickler's submerged land application, which would all have to go back to Pasco County before action by the Board.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action on the bulkhead line and application for submerged land.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: The Trustees on January 26, 1960, approved bulkhead line fixed by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority for the Long Bayou area in St. Petersburg. The staff had overlooked a request for notification in advance, and an objector, represented on this date by Ben F. Overton, sought to have the approval rescinded. The Director advised that formal approval by the Trustees was final and change would have to be sought under Section 253.122(4) Florida Statutes which provided the procedure, that the bulkhead line was fixed with due regard to the character of the area, and he reaffirmed the staff's recommendation made January 26 that the bulkhead line was in the public interest, notwithstanding private claims to the submerged lands beyond the bulkhead line.

Mr. Overton protested that bulkhead line was fixed over property previously conveyed by Trustees as swamp and overflow lands. Mr. Ervin stated that rulings of his office had held that bulkhead lines could be set regardless of previous conveyances, and he suggested that due to lack of sufficient time on this date for full discussion, the matter be referred to Attorney General and Trustees' staff.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and duly adopted, that the Trustees defer action and refer the matter to the Attorney General and the Trustees' staff for recommendation.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: Welan Investment Company, represented by Maurice H. Connell and Associates, applied for easement 25 feet wide for bridge between Lot 17, Block 3 Amended Plat of Fairhaven (on mainland) and Fair Island, a distance of 725.52 feet in Biscayne Bay. Applicant owned 25 foot parcel between the Bay and end of Fair Isle Street.

Under Chapter 13666, Acts of 1929, the bottom lands of Biscayne Bay in the zone were set apart for municipal purposes of the City of Miami, with authority to convey to the city for such purposes, and the city by Resolution No. 31730 adopted March 2, 1960, waived objection to construction of a bridge.

The Director stated that while the plan showed deck of the bridge 14 inches wider than 25 feet, he did not consider it material, and he recommended perpetual easement.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual easement to the applicant, subject to all rights of the City of Miami under Chapter 13666, Acts of 1929, for handling charge of \$100.00.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Mr. A. Travis of Avon Park applied for permission to remove 400 cubic yards of material from bottoms of Lake Letta in Section 6, Township 34 South, Range 29 East, to improve the shoreline of his residential lot.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Mr. Travis for charge of \$25.00, the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission having approved dredging in that lake.

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MANATEE COUNTY: The Director requested that a date be fixed for hearing staff recommendation and to review approximately 45 miles of bulkhead lines fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County. He advised that many parties desired notice in advance of official consideration of the lines.

The Trustees directed that interested parties be notified that they will be heard (on a date to be decided) by Assistant Attorney General Ralph M. McLane, who will report to the Board.

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MONROE COUNTY: Monroe County Inland Waterway Commission requested that the Trustees indicate their willingness to grant the right of way five hundred feet (500 ft.) wide upon and through the sovereignty or other lands held by the Trustees and the necessary spoil areas, for completion of the Intracoastal Waterway between Miami and Key West. The Commission was seeking appropriation of Federal funds to complete the waterway, the northerly sixty-three (63) miles of which was completed in 1939. A navigable, protected and inland route was acutely needed with the increase in population and the expanding development in the Florida Keys, the slender thread of the highway being the economic lifeline of the area, and completion of the waterway appeared economically feasible and in the public interest with great value for national security and defense.

Upon motion by Comptroller Ray E. Green, unanimously adopted by the board members present, the Trustees directed that the Commission be assured that the necessary right of way and spoil areas from sovereignty and other lands of the Trustees would be granted when the requirements were defined, and the Trustees went on record as urging release of Federal funds for completion of the waterway to Key West.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Upon attention being called to March 29th authorization of Trustees for distribution of prospectus offering lease of 2,965 acres, more or less, of Pelican Bay lands for bids to be taken May 24, the date for Second Primary Election, the Trustees approved substitution of the date of May 31 for bids to be taken.

It was so ordered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Florida Presbyterian College; Furen-Ratner project; State Road Department Bayway project.

Present on this date for further discussion of the Florida Presbyterian College application, the Furen-Ratner project, and the State Road Department Bayway project, were the following:

Thomas M. Tucker, attorney representing the college;  
J. Velma Keen and Gerald H. Gould, representing the Ratner interests; W. B. Killian, Chairman of the State Road Department; and others.

On July 21, November 17, and December 22, 1959, and in earlier meetings, the Trustees had considered the problems presented by requirements of the Road Department for right of way for the Bayway, litigation pending on submerged land conveyances and filling in Pinellas County, application by Florida Presbyterian College for purchase of submerged land, dredging areas, et cetera.



Mr. Keen presented the following letter, copies of which had been furnished to all Board Members:

Tallahassee, Florida  
April 4, 1960

Honorable Richard W. Ervin, Chairman,  
Committee Appointed by the Governor  
in re: Furen Fill Matter,  
Capitol Building,  
Tallahassee, Florida.

Gentlemen:

After several meetings between the committee appointed by the Governor and the Ratner interests, it appears that the following sets forth a meeting of the minds on a proposed agreement.

The agreement is conditioned upon Ratner finally winning the litigation pending in the District Court of Appeal for the Second District of Florida involving what is commonly known as the Furen Fill. If Ratner finally wins such litigation, then it is agreed that the following action will be taken immediately by the interested parties:

I. There shall be a contemporaneous exchange of deeds. The Ratner interests shall convey to the Trustees those lands described in Exhibit A attached hereto in exchange for a deed from the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to the Ratner interests to the lands described in Exhibit B attached hereto and including the right to dredge and take material from the areas depicted as "Borrow Area" on Exhibit C attached hereto for filling the land conveyed. The Trustees shall not oppose any modification of existing permit, the granting of a new permit or the fixing of bulkhead lines thereon.

II. That the Ratner interests and the State Road Department of Florida shall take all steps necessary to carry into effect the following:

A. That the Ratner interests shall:

1. Furnish the Department with title to a 200 foot wide right-of-way over, across, and upon their lands, as depicted in Exhibit C attached hereto; provided, however, that the center line of the East-West part of the Bayway from the mainland to the Bayway intersection and the North-South leg from the intersection to the South boundary of the Ratner property may be varied a distance of not more than 50 feet in any direction, subject to acceptable highway alignment standards as determined by the State Road Department; provided, further, that the location of the right-of-way of the North-West leg from the intersection to Vina-Del-Mar shall be as selected by the Department.
2. Furnish the Department with title to such additional areas as may be required by the Department for interchange construction.
3. Furnish the Department with easements for fill slopes, and the right to dredge sufficient embankment materials to complete the project from the dredging areas which may have been granted to the Ratner interests, parallel to the right-of-way of reasonable width and length so that pumping distances will be kept to economical minimums.

4. Provide proper drainage for the Department's 200 foot right-of-way, if it proves necessary for the Ratner interests to place embankment against the Department's fills, and, also provide storm sewer drainage where necessary, all in compliance with the Department's requirements and specifications.

5. Refrain from any dredging operations within 500 feet of the toe of the Department's roadway fills, unless embankment is placed by the Ratner interests against any of the Department's fills, in which event, dredging will be allowed up to a point within 450 feet of the Department's right-of-way line; provided, that, subject to the approval of the Road Department, dredging may be done nearer than 450 feet to the right-of-way if fill is placed against the right-of-way and the fill land protected by a suitable bulkhead wall; provided, further, that, subject to the approval of the Road Department, dredging will be permitted at the various bridge openings in the Bayway to provide channels for tidal flow and for small boat navigation.

B. The State Road Department shall:

1. Grant the Ratner interests the privilege of filling against the Department's right-of-way and, for such filling, the privilege of dredging up to a point within 450 feet of the Department's right-of-way line; provided, that subject to the approval of the Road Department dredging may be done nearer than 450 feet to the right-of-way if fill is placed against the right-of-way and the fill land protected by a suitable bulkhead wall; provided, further, that subject to the approval of the Road Department dredging will be permitted at the various bridge openings in the Bayway to provide channels for tidal flow and for small boat navigation.

2. Provide median openings at 1,000-foot intervals, except in the interchange areas, with direct access from the Ratner interests' properties to the Department's right-of-way, in keeping with the Department's normal policies for turn outs.

III. The Ratner interests shall convey to the Presbyterian College of Florida as a gift the property described on Exhibit D attached hereto.

Upon the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and the State Road Department passing resolutions approving the foregoing agreement, insofar as such agreement is applicable to them, respectively, and furnishing certified copies thereof to Keen, O'Kelley & Spitz, Attorneys for the Ratner interests, the Ratner interests will deliver to the State Road Department a letter for use by the State Road Department in securing a permit from the United States Corps of Engineers to construct the East-West crossing of the Pinellas Bayway project in substance as follows:

"In reference to the proposal by the State Road Department to construct the East-West crossing of the Pinellas Bayway project between Cat Point and Donce-Sar Place, this is to advise the Department that the Ratner interests do not object to and will not oppose the proposed construction."

Sincerely,

5/7/pmb  
Encl.

/s/ KEEN, O'KELLEY & SPITZ

Tallahassee, Florida  
April 5, 1960

The foregoing is hereby approved and authorized:

LEONARD LEE RATNER (SEAL)

By: /s/ Gerald H. Gould (SEAL)  
His Attorney in Fact

ESTHER RATNER (SEAL)

By: /s/ Gerald H. Gould (SEAL)  
Her Attorney in Fact

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(Exhibits A, B, C and D referred to in above letter are in Trustees' files.)

Governor Collins asked about location of toll gate, access roads, and other details, and Chairman W. B. Killian stated that the Road Department agreed to the program outlined in the letter subject to verification by their engineers of the attached exhibits.

The Trustees discussed these matters at considerable length, particularly with reference to the need to proceed on the Florida Presbyterian College application and pending Furen-Ratner interests litigation and the Board's intention that nothing done here should prejudice or affect in any way the state's position prior to judicial determination. Mr. Keen stated that he would stipulate in the lawsuit that action taken here should not prejudice right of the Trustees in any pending litigation.

Attention was called to the immediate need for a waiver of the Furen-Ratner interests as to the 100-foot portion of the dredging area in Deed No. 20245, since that parcel was included in the college application and advertisement for objections was being delayed. Mr. Keen stated that his clients agreed to let the college have the 100 feet and release would be given at any time - that any things needed would be given. Governor Collins suggested that the language in the release should be cleared with the Attorney General's office.

The following resolution, including portion suggested by Mr. Keen and amendments prepared by Mr. Tucker, Mr. Keen and Mr. McLane, was read and approved unanimously by the Trustees participating in the meeting:

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida:

That the letter of agreement dated April 4, 1960, from Keen, O'Kelley & Spitz to Honorable Richard W. Ervin, Chairman, Committee Appointed by the Governor in re: Furen Fill Matter, and approved and authorized by Leonard Lee Ratner, Esther Ratner, his wife, on April 5, 1960, involving what is known as the Furen Fill in Boca Ciega Bay, Pinellas County, Florida, is hereby approved and accepted and a copy thereof attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

Subject, however, to the distinct understanding and upon the condition that the action is taken by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund without prejudice to any litigation now pending and such action represents no acknowledgement of title or interest contrary to any assertion by the Trustees made in any of said litigation now pending.



Subject, also, to the requirement that the Ratner Interests will immediately release to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida all right, title and interests they have or may have in the one hundred foot strip of submerged lands, east of the Ratner property in Boca Ciega Bay, Pinellas County, Florida, for which the Florida Presbyterian College has made application for purchase, in order that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund may proceed at once in ~~the sale of said submerged lands to the Florida Presbyterian College.~~ Sale of said submerged lands to the Florida Presbyterian College. (See

correction  
in Minutes  
of April  
19, 1960)

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It was requested that the record show that Mr. Keen, as Attorney for the Ratner interests, Mr. Gould, as having the power of attorney for Leonard Lee Ratner and Esther Ratner, and Mr. Tucker, as Attorney for the Florida Presbyterian College, agreed to the entire resolution. It was so ordered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of State Permit to the City of Clearwater, without requirement of surety bond, for construction of seven (7) groins between Somerset and Kendall Streets in Clearwater Beach, being in projections of public streets in the Gulf of Mexico, in accordance with recommendations of Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: The State Board of Conservation recommended grant of State Permit, requested by Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County by Resolution adopted March 23, 1960, for the Fort Pierce Reef Divers Club to construct artificial reef composed of 500 automobile bodies, one mile offshore in the Atlantic Ocean about one mile northerly from Fort Pierce Inlet in a depth 35 to 37 feet.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit upon receipt of the \$50.00 fee and compliance with Trustees' regulations.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the issuance of County of Pinellas Deed No. 3774-Corrective to Pinellas Park Home Demonstration Club, Inc., which had been approved by the Attorney General's office. Original deed dated September 4, 1946, was issued to the same grantee, although at the date of deed the club was not incorporated.

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SANTA ROSA COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance under Chapter 21684 Acts of 1943, to the Florida Board of Forestry, owner of the surrounding lands, of ten acres of land covered by Tax Sale Certificate No. 103 of September 1, 1913, described as the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34, Township 5 North, Range 27 West, for \$200.00.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance under Chapter 21684, Acts of 1943, to the City of Daytona Beach for \$50.00, covering Lot 1, Block 28, Daytona Highlands, embraced in Tax Sale Certificate (Bal.) 21771 of 1933. Information was that the lot was needed to correct a drainage problem in the vicinity of the Airport Navy Canal.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 12, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins Governor  
Ray E. Green Comptroller  
Richard W. Ervin Attorney General

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Van H. Ferguson Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of March 22, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALES

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 553-44-253.12. On February 23, 1960, the Trustees considered offer of \$150.00 per acre from G. A. Crawshaw, representing John G. McKay, Jr., as Trustee of El Hadabob Liquidation Trust, abutting upland owner, for purchase of three parcels of sovereignty land containing a total of 23.7 acres in the Straits of Florida at Key Largo. On the advertised sale date, the Trustees deferred action on all three parcels because of objections received from Edward Leitner. Later information was that the objection referred only to the two parcels in Sections 23 and 27 of Township 61 South, Range 39 East, and not to the 8.3 acre parcel in Section 6, Township 61 South, Range 40 East, Garden Cove.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the 8.3 acre parcel at the price offered, and deferred action on the two remaining parcels until objections were cleared.

CITRUS COUNTY: File No. 576-09-253.12. On February 16 the Trustees considered offer from E. M. Purcell of the appraised price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Crystal River in Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, containing 0.73 of an acre within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Suncoast Sentinel, Crystal River, Florida, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, and no protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised to Mr. Purcell, the riparian owner, at the appraised price.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 565-44-253.12. On March 1 the Trustees considered offer from Howard E. Kambach, abutting upland owner, of the established price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, Raccoon Key, containing 7.03 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised to Mr. Kambach at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 577-44-253.12. On February 23 the Trustees considered offer from Arthur Hollerich, abutting upland owner, of the established price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom in Bogie Channel, easterly of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 24, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, at Big Pine Key, containing 0.48 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the land advertised to Mr. Hollerich at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 581-44-253.12. On February 16 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$350.00 per acre from J. H. Williams and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 6, Township 62 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 0.52 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 588-44-253.12. On March 1 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$250.00 per acre from Art Matney, abutting upland owner represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., for purchase of a tract of bay bottom land in the Straits of Florida, south of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 4, Section 1, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 0.6 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, Key West, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

R. A. DeByle objected that sale and filling would damage his view, however, it was noted from the map that his property was located up a canal and not on the waterfront, and that in the light of other sales and filling in progress in the vicinity the applicant appeared to be justified in improving out to the area bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objection and confirmed sale to Mr. Matney at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 580-50-253.12. On February 16 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$934.00 per acre from Edward W. Taylor, Jr., abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 43 South, Range 43 East, City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.255 of an acre, more



or less, abutting the parcel disclaimed under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, outward to the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

It was explained that the application had been accepted for advertisement based on the \$934.00 per acre appraisal, before the Board raised the price in the area (minutes of March 29), and Comptroller Green stated that in fairness sale should be confirmed on that basis.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Taylor at the price offered.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 586-52-253.12. On December 8, 1959, the Board approved the three recommendations worked out by the staff of the Trustees and the Attorney General, with assistance of City Attorney Howard Rives, to effectuate plans for the City of Dunedin Marina. The Director reported (1) that the city had reconveyed to the Trustees the portion of sovereignty area north of extension of Main Street, heretofore deeded, (2) that Deed No. 21669-A dated February 8, 1960 had been issued waiving the deed restriction against leasing, and (3) that the parcel to be granted to the City of Dunedin without consideration was advertised in the Dunedin Times, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, no objections received to conveyance of the tract of submerged land in St. Joseph Sound in Township 28 South, Range 15 East to the city for the marina project, and that all was in order for deed to issue to the city in pursuance of the December 8th action of the Board.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the report and authorized conveyance of the parcel advertised to the City of Dunedin for public purposes, without cost and without the restrictions against leasing.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 525-58-253.12. On February 23 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre from R. E. Best, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Little Sarasota Bay in Section 18, Township 37 South, Range 18 East, containing 0.4 of an acre, more or less, within the relocated bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Sarasota Herald Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Best, at the appraised price.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 582-52-253.12. Ernest A. Plante and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Adrian Bacon, offered \$100.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Section 34, Township 31 South, Range 16 East, in Clam Bayou, City of Gulfport, containing 0.65 of an acre, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. Filed in the Trustees' office were certified copy of action of February 25, 1960, by the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority approving the sale, and proof of publication of notice. No protests to the sale were received.

Based on examination of the location map and recent appraisal of \$650.00 per acre for other sale in that vicinity, the Trustees declined to accept the applicant's offer and made counter offer of \$650.00 per acre for the 0.65 acre parcel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel applied for, subject to applicant offering \$650.00 per acre.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** File No. 641-52-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Sale. Referred to the Trustees for approval were bulkhead lines shown on county map sheets numbered 2180-57 and 2180-58 approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on June 26, 1959, for that portion of the line in the City of St. Petersburg in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 32 South, Range 16 East, opposite uplands of Vanjim, Inc., Arthur, Inc., and Waterways Development Corporation. Also, the County Authority on February 25, 1960, approved sale to the three upland owners of a total of 67.2 acres, more or less, of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in said Sections 3 and 4, lying northerly of the Presbyterian College tract, and certified copy of approving action by the Authority (showing no local objections) as well as proof of publication of sale notice, were filed with the Trustees. City of St. Petersburg made no objection to sale of the land which was within its bulkhead line.

On behalf of the applicants, Walter P. Fuller stated that since application was first made in July 1956, there had been many obstructions and delays and five county hearings, that neither the State Board of Conservation nor others had voiced any objections at the final hearing. He asked for adjustment of the \$650.00 per acre appraised price, as applicants felt that increase in price in the area was in large measure caused by their own improvements in the locality during the time they had been unduly delayed in the county; however, the Trustees were not agreeable to any reduction in price.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the portion of the City of St. Petersburg bulkhead line established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on June 26, 1959, for the three upland owners, and approved sale of the submerged land advertised (by the Authority) in favor of Vanjim, Inc., Arthur, Inc., and Waterways Development Corporation, based on the appraised price of \$650.00 per acre.

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#### BULKHEAD LINE

**PINELLAS COUNTY:** The Director recommended formal approval of bulkhead lines established on June 26, 1959, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in Sections 6, 7 and 8, Township 32 South, Range 17 East, for upland abutting Bonita Bayou, Little Bayou and Tampa Bay in the City of St. Petersburg, as represented on county map sheets numbered 2190-62 and 2190-63 dated December 14, 1959, signed by L. O. Hester, County Engineer.

However, the staff desired further information regarding a portion of the line shown on map sheet 2190-63, being the bulkhead line for the east side of Lewis Island in Section 5, Township 32 South, Range 17 East, and the Director asked that approval be withheld for that certain part pending further information as to how that unit would be coordinated with the next unit of line in Section 32, Township 31 South, Range 17 East.

The Trustees examined the bulkhead map, and upon motion duly adopted, formally approved that part of the bulkhead line established by the County Authority on June 26, 1959 which was recommended by the Director.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

**DIXIE COUNTY:** File No. 587-15-253.12. S. G. Register, on behalf of The Buckeye Cellulose Corporation, offered \$20.00 per acre as

base bid for competitive sale of three sovereign islands in the Gulf of Mexico in unsurveyed part of Sections 22, 23, 25 and 26 of Township 11 South, Range 9 East, containing a total of 126 acres, more or less.

The Director advised that no bulkhead lines had been fixed for the islands based on Attorney General's Opinion 059-217, that Dixie County did not wish to establish bulkhead lines until after action by the Trustees, no filling being contemplated, but that, of course, bulkhead lines would be required before any filling in the future. He recommended advertisement for objections and competitive bids subject to successful purchaser furnishing acceptable survey and legal descriptions of the islands.

Attorney General expressed the opinion that bulkhead lines should be fixed, or at least that the Trustees should have expression from the county as to proposed disposition of the islands.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement of the parcels for objections and competitive sale, provided that the Board of County Commissioners of Dixie County expressed no objections.

The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 633-44-253.12.  
S. Alden Perrine and Vera Joy Perrine, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 2.41 acres.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 634-44-253.12.  
Robert E. Healy, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 2.26 acres.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 635-44-253.12.  
Algie R. Shreffler and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.73 of an acre.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 636-44-253.12.  
Clara Krome Wilson, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.63 of an acre.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 637-44-253.12.  
John S. Rice and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 1.37 acres.



6. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 638-44-253.12. Mary Krome Jones, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.72 of an acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicants' offers.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 629-50-253.12. John B. Nicholson, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.908 of an acre; and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Sections 3 and 4 lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.505 of an acre, at the established price of \$1,401.00 per acre, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimer for \$10.00 charge, and approved advertisement of the 0.505 acre parcel for objections only, based on offer of \$1,401.00 per acre.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: John Baker and Albertine Baker proposed to convey or dedicate a parcel of land conveyed in Trustees' Deed No. 19382 dated November 18, 1947, being 0.238 acres of Little Bayou submerged land in Section 6, Township 32 South, Range 17 East, lying outside the bulkhead line approved on this date, in exchange for conveyance of a parcel within the bulkhead line adjacent to their upland, containing 0.15 of an acre, more or less, sale of which was advertised and approved, without objections, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on January 28, 1960.

The Director recommended the exchange, conditioned upon applicant furnishing accurate legal description of the area sought and payment of \$25.00 handling charge, in exchange for dedication of the 0.238 acre parcel offered as a water area for use by the public, since it appeared to lie in proposed 150-foot channel.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the exchange subject to conditions recommended by the Director.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: John W. Young, on behalf of Irving Green, applied for three parcels of Little Bayou submerged land in Section 6, Township 32 South, Range 17 East, within the bulkhead line of City of St. Petersburg approved by Trustees on this date. The Director explained that the sale was approved by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on January 28, 1960, that the map used by applicant's engineer represented upland ownership to the offshore United States meander line instead of to the line of normal high water, and for this reason parcel 1 containing 0.06 acre was not advertised by the Authority, parcel 2 containing 0.12 acre was advertised as only 0.10 acre, and parcel 3 containing 0.28 acre was advertised as only 0.02 acre, resulting in 0.14 acre having been advertised of the 0.46 acre actually sought. The applicant offered to convey or dedicate a parcel surveyed as upland, 0.43 acre more or less, lying beyond bulkhead line.

The Director stated that although total area involved was very small and correction did not change the seaward limit of the advertised parcels, all of the area applied for had not been advertised. He recommended that in the event sale or exchange was authorized, applicant should dedicate the 0.43 acre parcel

to the public for use as a public water area, with accurate legal description, and that payment of not less than \$200.00 should be required for the parcels sought, to cover handling charge since the matter had involved considerable investigation by the staff.

The matter was discussed with attention to the purpose of the applicant to conform development to the bulkhead line, and on motion of the Attorney General it was agreed to allow the parcels aggregating 0.46 acre to be deeded, for \$200.00, on condition that the applicant dedicate parcel represented as upland beyond the bulkhead line, to the public for a public water area, it having been shown that said parcel had been cut away to the bulkhead line.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

PALM BEACH COUNTY: Lease No. 1171. James R. Clark, lessee named in farm lease No. 1171 dated April 14, 1958, and as President of Four Square Ranches, Inc., present holder of the lease, requested amendment whereby said lease should become effective on the date that access to the leased premises became available. Lessee was unable to obtain access in order to take in equipment suitable to prepare the land for use, and had borne the cost of litigation brought jointly in the names of the Trustees and the lessee to establish a right of way for access from the nearest public road. The suit, prosecuted without cost to Trustees, was pending final decree and the Circuit Court had ordered that plaintiffs were entitled to easement.

The Director recommended that the lease be amended to become effective upon entry of final decree awarding plaintiffs an easement for ingress and egress.

Without objection, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

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LAKE COUNTY: Permit. Director recommended acceptance of payment of \$960.00, being the standard yardage rate for 22,000 cubic yards of material dredged from Lake Saunders by L. K. Pomeroy for use in filling his upland. State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission waived objection, and the County Engineer had inspected the work and advised that none of the filling appeared to encroach on the lake bottom.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Mr. Pomeroy, as recommended.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: Permit. The Director recommended authority be given for issuance of State Permit at \$100.00 fee to Charles S. Sinks, upland riparian owner, for construction of commercial dock and marina extending into St. Joseph's Sound, for which permit was issued by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the permit, as recommended.

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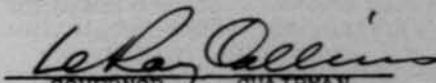
TRUSTEES' OFFICE: Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the following purchases for the Trustees' office: One Keuffel & Esser mapping machine No. N1371 at \$166.50 net, and two four-drawer legal-size steel filing cabinets at \$113.05 net each.

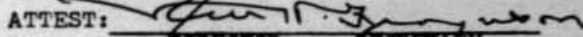
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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 750 listing three regular bids for purchase of lands under the Murphy Act.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 19, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

Motion was made and adopted that the Trustees approve the minutes of the meetings on March 29 and April 5, 1960, with the following correction authorized in the minutes of the latter date.

In the item concerning Pinellas County File No. 486-52-253.12, the Director advised that the Florida Presbyterian College sale was advertised by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in September 1959, with proof of publication forwarded to the Trustees' office for the file. Therefore, since sale had been advertised previously, the Resolution adopted by the Trustees on April 5th was authorized corrected to the extent that the sale was authorized, rather than the advertisement for sale.

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 651-11-253.12. Julius Fleischmann, abutting upland owner represented by W. R. Wilson, applied for a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 1.4 acres appraised at \$600.00 per acre, within the City of Naples bulkhead line approved by the Trustees on June 17, 1958.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 630-44-253.12. Robert E. Marsh, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only, based on the applicant's offer.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 609-58-253.12. The City of Venice, abutting upland owner, adopted Resolution on April 12, 1960, requesting conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in Roberts Bay in Section 12, Township 39 South, Range 18 East, 1.5 acres within the established bulkhead line, for use for municipal docks, boat slips and other public facilities.

The Director recommended approval of application of the city, subject to advertisement for objections only, deed to carry restrictive clause for use of the parcel for public purposes only.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director and authorized advertisement for objections only.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 622-36-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Application. The Director recommended approval by the Trustees of the bulkhead line established on January 20, 1960 under provisions of Chapter 253.122, Florida Statutes of 1957, by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, applied for by Orangewood, Inc., the line being in the Caloosahatchee River in Section 3, Township 45 South, Range 24 East.

Also, Orangewood, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Michigan Construction Company, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in the Caloosahatchee River in Section 3, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, containing 0.28 of an acre within the said bulkhead line. The Director recommended sale of the small parcel at the minimum amount of \$100.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Lee County and authorized advertisement of the parcel of submerged land for objections only, based on the offer presented.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY COUNTY: Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials requested permission to reconstruct an old pier extending into the open waters of Grand Lagoon at St. Andrews State Park, opposite Lot 1 of Section 22, Township 4 South, Range 15 West. The United States District Engineer at Mobile approved the plan for reconstruction of a pier which had been destroyed by fire.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the pier construction requested by the Park Board, without requirement of formal state permit or processing fee.

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DADE COUNTY: Daniels Towing and Drydock, Inc., holder of non-exclusive commercial sand lease No. 640-A covering a sovereignty area southeast of Cape Florida with royalty of 15% per cubic yard, secured by surety bond in the sum of \$5,000.00, applied for renewal from current expiration date of April 25, 1960.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized renewal for two-year period on the same terms and conditions.

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DADE COUNTY and PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Federal Aviation Agency, holder of Lease No 1149 (Airways Radio Range Station "Vortac No. 2" in Dade County), Lease No. 1257 (International ATC Receiver Station Site in Dade County), and Lease No. 1185 ("Vortac" installation at

Pahokee-Belle Glade Airport in Palm Beach County), requested waiver of requirement of annual renewal notice from F.A.A. to the Trustees, as required in each of the leases.

Annual notice from F.A.A. was considered desirable as evidence for the files that leased areas were being used for the designated purposes, and the Director recommended that renewal notices be continued during terms of actual use of the properties.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director.

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**LEE COUNTY:** The Director recommended authorization of three year lease to Fort Myers Shell Company for removal of dead shell from three areas in the Caloosahatchee River, one southerly and southwesterly from Glover Bight, and two areas bordering the navigation channel southwesterly from Kinzie Cove, in Sections 27, 28, 32 and 33, Township 45 South, Range 23 East, with royalty payment of 15¢ per cubic yard, minimum of \$25.00 per month, \$5,000.00 surety bond, and requirement for replanting the area near Glover Bight with 100 cubic yards of shell, and replanting the other two areas with 100 cubic yards of shell, after completion of dredging. The Board was advised that the Director of Research, State Board of Conservation, approved the areas with recommendation for the replanting.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of three-year lease with provisions and requirements as recommended by Mr. Ferguson, subject to approval of Director Ernest Mitts of the State Board of Conservation.

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**MARTIN COUNTY:** The Director recommended approval for issuance of state permit to Mrs. Joseph V. Reed (the Hobe Sound Company), Jupiter Island Beach Club, for installation of six groins at the beach club in the Town of Jupiter Island, in accordance with report and recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory. The Laboratory recommended surety bond of \$6,000.00, justified by the difficulties of the project, and since the Laboratory suggested inspection of the installation in the summer of 1961, charge of \$200.00 was recommended for the permit.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of state permit subject to provisions and requirements as recommended by Mr. Ferguson and the Laboratory.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** On December 15, 1959, the Trustees agreed to accept reconveyance from Rimersburg Coal Company of 158.3 acres of submerged land in Lake Surprise in Sections 30 and 31 of Township 60 South, Range 40 East, being parts of sections originally patented to and conveyed by the State of Florida as swamp and overflow lands, in exchange for 235.6 acres of sovereign lands to be conveyed to the company at the appraised price of \$255.00 per acre. Applicant received credit for the 158.3 acres and paid for the remainder or 77.3 acres, both at the appraised price, and Trustees received quitclaim deed covering the parcel in Lake Surprise.

The Director recommended that the 158.3 acres be perpetually dedicated to the use of the public by appropriate instrument, which in turn would satisfy the records of the Land Office and protect the submerged bottoms of Lake Surprise from any conveyance in the future.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as the action of the Board.

PASCO COUNTY: Presented to the Trustees as information and for preliminary consideration was a large proposed development by V. M. Clark, Jr., and his engineer, C. G. Edwards, which would be located in Township 24 South, Range 16 East, at the north end of Pasco County, just south of Hernando County, in the Gulf of Mexico. Map of the preliminary land mass and waterway outline for three miles of waterfront showed a layout extending several thousand feet into the Gulf, in rock-bottom shallows described as a hindrance to navigation even at high tide, with exposed rocky places. Mr. Clark stated that he had consulted the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, had employed the Laboratory to make survey and study, that layout would be cut back or reshaped and channels and bridge connections provided in accordance with the Laboratory's recommendations, that 1,000-foot barge channel was planned, which would enable removal of limerock deposits.

Since no bulkhead line was established and no actual application filed, the Trustees discussed the plan briefly. In view of the large extension into the Gulf, the Governor suggested that Mr. Clark consult the State Board of Conservation before any further consideration by the Trustees.

No action was taken.

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CAPITOL CENTER: The Coordinator of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions requested that Trustees convey title to the block in the Capitol Center bounded by Gaines, Adams, Bloxham and Duval Streets, to the Florida Development Commission for lease-purchase agreement covering the new state office building.

Motion was made and duly adopted that title to the block be conveyed to the Florida Development Commission for the purpose requested.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 751 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act, and authorized issuance of deed pertaining thereto.

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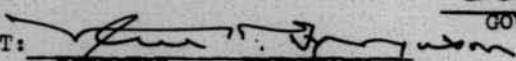
MONROE COUNTY: The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe County requested that he be allowed to accept applications and process sales under the Murphy Act on 960 lots in Rainbow Beach Subdivision on Big Torch Key. The lots were described as 55 by 100 feet, valued on the current county tax roll at \$20.00 each, in an area entirely undeveloped, without roads, many lots being in mangrove swamp. About 40 lots in the subdivision were sold through the Clerk prior to suspension by the Trustees of Murphy Act sales on the Florida Keys in Monroe County, pending examination of character of the land. The Director advised that the lots encompassed a considerable area, and recommended that consideration be given to lifting the restriction and fixing a base bid. The current assessed value was about \$160.00 per acre, or a total of \$19,200.00 for the 960 lots.

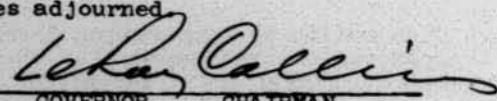
The Trustees deferred action and asked the Director to request from Monroe County an aerial photo of the area.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
April 26, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meeting on April 19, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to all members.

#### LAND SALES

FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS - TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 547-62-253.12. On March 8 the Trustees considered offer of \$15.00 per acre by Robert L. Gill for competitive sale of a sovereign island known locally as Big Grass Island in the Gulf of Mexico in unsurveyed parts of Section 36 of Township 8 South, Range 7 East, and Section 31 of Township 8 South, Range 8 East, lying approximately 3,500 feet southwesterly from Crooked Point in said Section 31 and containing 41.26 acres, more or less.

In the News Herald of Perry, Florida, parcel was advertised for objections and competitive bids, proof of publication furnished the Trustees' office, and the advertisement set out that in addition to the high bid, the purchaser was required to reimburse the applicant the sum of \$795.37, the expense of making survey and maps for use in the application.

Objection to sale was received from S. M. Towles on grounds that he held quitclaim deed to the land, which was now occupied by his tenant. Mr. Ferguson advised him that in the absence of documentary proof of ownership, competitive sale would take place as advertised. An attorney for Mr. Towles was present, but no further evidence of ownership was presented.

W. A. Hoffman, Sr., mailed in bid of \$40.00 per acre, and competitive bidding on sale date resulted in the highest bid of \$276.00 per acre from A. Bach of Delray Beach.

Confirmation of sale was deferred until the next regular meeting of the Trustees.

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FOR OBJECTIONS ONLY - BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 501-05-253.12. On February 16 the Trustees approved advertisement for objections only of land requested by the City of Melbourne for municipal recreation purposes, described as a parcel of submerged land in Indian River in Section 2, Township 28 South, Range 37 East, City of Melbourne, south of and adjacent to right of way of State Road 516 (Causeway) in front of and offshore from city-owned upland, and containing 10.90 acres, more or less. The area was advertised in the Melbourne Times, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office, and objection was received from the State Road Department on the grounds that development and access to the highway at that location would create hazardous traffic condition and reduce capacity of the state road.

Mr. Ferguson suggested that the city might be able to revise its plan so that access would be through the city-owned upland.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thompson, duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action for working out the objection.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 604-44-253.12. On March 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 per acre from Magna E. Bauer et al, abutting upland owners, for purchase of 0.5 of an acre, more or less, of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 57 South, Range 27 East, Sugarloaf Key. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 605-44-253.12. On March 8 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Green Waven, Inc., abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 3.07 acres, more or less. The land was advertised in the Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the established price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 549-50-253.12. On March 8 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$1,795.00 per acre from Dwight Smith, et al, abutting upland owners, represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 21, Township 42 South, Range 43 East, containing 9.196 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received. Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District waived any objection to sale.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the appraised price.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: On November 24, 1959, the Trustees authorized the staff to work out corrected description for the parcel of land originally conveyed to Mrs. Barbara Falk by legal description based on erroneous survey, to advertise the land for objections only, and to work out corrected deed to Mrs. Falk based on price of \$100.00 per acre, upon receipt of deed reconveying to the Trustees the parcel with erroneous description. Based on the Attorney General's memo of January 19, 1960, stating that to all intents and purposes the matter had been concluded prior to the bulkhead act except for details, this matter was not handled through Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority in the manner of current sales under Chapter 57-362.

The following parcel was advertised in the St. Petersburg Times, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received: a tract of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in Section 30, Township 32 South, Range 16 East, more particularly described by metes and bounds, containing 15.62 acres, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised at the agreed-upon price of \$100.00 per acre, subject to receipt of deed of reconveyance from Mrs. Falk.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 615-44-253.12. Frances Colwell, abutting upland owner represented by C. G. Bailey, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, 0.8 of an acre.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 631-44-253.12. Ralph E. Lewis et al, abutting upland owners represented by Raymond A. Webb, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in Long Key Bight in Sections 34 and 35, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 59.21 acres in an area for which the established price was \$250.00 per acre.

On March 29 the Trustees asked for a preliminary feasibility report on applicants' proposed development plan for his ownership on the easterly end of the south arm of Long Key, for which the area in the application will provide access. The Coastal Engineering Laboratory's report was favorable, with recommendation for bridge openings and suggestion regarding the highway access.

Letter from Herbert L. Alley, representing Upper Keys Conservation Council, stated that the area proposed to be filled constituted fish nursery grounds, that the project should receive thorough study before final acceptance of the application, and proposed a cooperative procedure in consideration of that type of development. The Director stated that some local interests felt that such procedure would hinder development needed in the keys and that sport fishing would not suffer.

Mr. Larson suggested that further consideration be deferred, preferably until all the Trustees were present.

It was so ordered.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 645-58-253.12. Grace S. Stoddard, abutting upland owner represented by William C. Strobe, offered the appraised price of \$500.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 13, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, City of Sarasota, containing 0.44 of an acre, more or less, within the previously established bulkhead line.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for objections only.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 492-62-253.12. On April 5 the Trustees considered application by Keaton Beach, Inc., upland riparian owner, for 32.34 acres of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East, and directed that an appraisal be procured from a registered appraiser. The Director reported that such appraisal reported market value of \$10.00 per acre, considerably less than previous appraisals which had been thought high considering values of other undeveloped lands in Gulf and Franklin Counties.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees accepted the report and authorized the parcel advertised for objections only.



## MISCELLANEOUS

DADE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of application by Dade County for perpetual dedication for drainage canal right of way purposes covering a 135-foot wide strip 1,500 feet long, over the sovereign bottoms of Biscayne Bay in Section 35, Township 55 South, Range 40 East, for bayward extension of the Cutler Drainage Canal.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication of the parcel requested by Dade County, for the purposes explained.

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COLLIER COUNTY: As a practicable means for clearing up titles subject to question by reason of the fact that record titles had long failed to coordinate with areas of water and land in the zone, the Director recommended land exchange, to clarify and define the respective interests of (a) Forrest Walker and wife, (b) Little Hickory Shores, Inc., (c) Barron Collier, Jr., and wife, and Isabel Collier Head, and (d) the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund, in Section 5 of Township 48 South, Range 25 East. He explained that some areas of land extended beyond the United States meander which, in part of the area, lay far offshore; that bulkhead lines were established for all except a small portion of the affected area; and that under the exchange a large portion of the area landward of the meander, being submerged or tidal, would be deeded jointly by the three parties to the Trustees.

The Trustees were requested to disclaim (a) for Forrest Walker and wife area landward of bulkhead line and riparian to Walker upland, together with land area at south end of Section 5 which was beyond end of bulkhead line and which extended beyond the meander; (b) for Little Hickory Shores, Inc., existing fills riparian to and attached to its upland together with unfilled area landward of bulkhead line riparian to the firm's upland; and (c) for Colliers, submerged land riparian to Collier upland, within the bulkhead line.

The Board studied the map showing the areas described above. Attorney General Ervin recommended the proposal, stating that it straightened out titles both to submerged lands and navigable waters and was not contrary to the public interest.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the exchange and issuance of the disclaimers as requested, subject to approval by the Attorney General of the several instruments.

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LAKE COUNTY: The Director recommended disclaimer of Government Lot 10 of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, which was patented by the United States into private ownership in 1928, title vesting in the state in 1939 under Chapter 18296, Acts of 1937, the Murphy Act and conveyed by the state on February 5, 1947 under said chapter, subject to the usual reservations.

The Director explained that the erroneous parenthetical notation in pencil on old tract book formerly in U. S. Land Office at Gainesville made it appear that the tract was selected by the state as Swamp and Overflow land under provisions of the Act of Congress of September 28, 1850; however the tract was not so selected, was not classified or subject to selection, and was not approved to the state.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized disclaimer with reference to any purported selection and approval to the state under the 1850 Act of Congress and without prejudice to any reservations to the state in the Murphy Act deed of 1947.

MONROE COUNTY: Hudgins and Alfonso, Inc., applied for permit to remove 14,000 cubic yards of fill material from submerged bottoms in the Straits of Florida in Sections 35 and 36, Township 66 South, Range 28 East, and Section 2, Township 67 South, Range 28 East, Summerland Key, for improving upland property. Applicant remitted \$660.00 in payment, which was at the standard rate.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thompson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the permit.

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TRUSTEES AS STATE EROSION AGENCY: The Director advised that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory recommended that the seventh provision contained in State Permit for Installation of Coastal Structures on Submerged and Tidal Lands be amended to require a continuing bond, unless inspection by the Laboratory at the end of the three-year period clearly showed the bond should be released. Mr. Ferguson stated that the provision now in effect called for 3-year bond, and it was considered that adverse effects requiring removal or adjustment of the coastal structure would become apparent before end of three years. The Trustees currently bore the expense of study and recommendation by the Laboratory, a charge of \$100.00 being made to permittee, and new inspection and report at end of three-year period would entail further expense to the Trustees. In the Director's judgment, obligation of the permittee to adjust, alter or remove the groin or other authorized structure at any time it should be shown to have failed, caused damage or served its purpose, would be adequate (provisions 5 and 6 of the permit).

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved continuing the requirements as set out in the current permits, until they had been proved inadequate and change was judged necessary.

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TRUSTEES AS STATE EROSION AGENCY: Letter from Cleveland Insko, Jr., President of Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association, advised that the association had formulated a possible program for state participation in beach preservation measures which it hoped would merit serious consideration by state authorities, and requested a date set for the Board of Directors of the Association to meet with the Trustees. Ney C. Landrum, representing Mr. Insko, explained that it was desirable to discuss with the Trustees the current thinking of various local boards, port districts, municipalities and county agencies composing membership of the Association, in matters pertaining to erosion.

Mr. Ferguson recommended the next meeting when full membership of the Trustees might be present.

The Trustees agreed to place the matter on the agenda for consideration at the earliest possible time, and requested Mr. Ferguson to arrange date and notify the Association.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized purchase, at cost of approximately \$275.00, of one Aerial Land Ownership Atlas for Pasco County, for use in the Trustees' office in reviewing applications for purchase of land and as a basis for erection of additional base maps.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 750 listing 1 bid for sale of Murphy Act land, and authorized execution of deed pertaining thereto.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

James W. Thompson  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

Richard W. Ervin  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 3, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, offices of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson

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Director-Secretary

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting on April 12, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALE - FOR CONFIRMATION

TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 547-62-253.12. The Director reported to the Trustees on the competitive sale listed in the minutes of April 26, 1960, which was held at 2:00 P.M., a quorum of the Board not being present at the advertised time. The objector, S. M. Towles, had filed no satisfactory evidence of a valid title supporting his claim, and had inquired concerning the shack on the island placed by him or his tenant.

The high bidder, Alfons Bach, requested confirmation of sale in the name of Bach Development Corporation, for the 41.26 acres of sovereignty island or grass flat in Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 East, and Section 31 of Township 8 South, Range 8 East.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Bach Development Corporation at \$276.00 per acre, the highest bid at competitive sale, purchaser also to reimburse the original applicant his costs of surveys and mapping, and the Trustees directed that Mr. Towles be allowed fifteen days to remove the shack or other improvements placed by him on the parcel.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

BROWARD COUNTY: File No. 625-06-253.12. On March 1, 1960, the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Fort Lauderdale by Ordinance No. 1532 for the Isla Bahia land mass was formally approved by the Trustees in recognition of the existing land mass, but conditioned that approval should not be construed as a determination of right to fill sovereignty lands since June 11, 1957, or title thereto, nor a determination of private rights related thereto.



Company Six-C, owner of adjacent land, applied to purchase two parcels of sovereignty lands aggregating four acres within said bulkhead line, filled by applicant subsequent to passage of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, without compliance with law regarding bulkhead line, acquisition of submerged land from the Trustees, or procurement of fill permit. The four acres, platted of record as part of Isla Bahia subdivision, included seven entire lots, two of which carried the maximum lot value of the entire subdivision, and according to lot prices shown on sales plat in the appraiser's report were priced at approximately \$294,334.00. However, the Director pointed out that the valuation was shown in the appraisal as \$42,000.00, having been adjusted downward by charging various developer's costs against the four acres which the developer did not own and which were filled on Trustees' land with material owned by Trustees in violation of the requirements of bulkhead law, purchase and permits. The Director suggested that credit might be allowed for 1,580 feet of seawall, pro-rata cost of sewer and paving, and expressed the opinion that the present market value so adjusted by credits to the developers would approximate \$150,000.00.

After discussion, the Trustees suggested that the applicant be apprised of the staff recommendations and advised that the matter would be given further consideration at an early date, at which time representative of the applicant would be given opportunity to make an offer.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 655-44-253.12. Samuel D. Fire, abutting upland owner represented by M. Ignatius Lester, offered the current appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for two parcels of submerged land, parcel (1) in the Straits of Florida containing 42.0 acres, and parcel (2) in Cupon Bight containing 10.0 acres, both in Section 1 of Township 67 South, Range 29 East on Big Pine Key, and totaling 52.0 acres, more or less.

The Director mentioned the correspondence from Upper Keys Conservation Council requesting that applications for purchase and development be studied by recognized marine laboratories, but expressed the staff's opinion that in view of the thousands of acres committed by the Trustees to the Everglades National Park, the Great White Heron and other refuges, it did not appear that fishing and marine life would greatly suffer.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred action on Mr. Fire's application until some later date.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 503-50-253.12. Owen H. Kenan, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129, Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in the City of Lake Worth in Section 34, Township 44 South, Range 43 East, containing 5.036 acres, and (b) deed to those submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Section 34, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 7.34 acres, more or less, to be conveyed at the appraised price of \$1,925.00 per acre, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00, and advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** File No. 649-50-253.12. Edna Duncan, abutting upland owner represented by Brockway, Weber & Brockway, applied for (a) disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes 1957, to an area in West Palm Beach in Section 10 of Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.776 of an acre, and (b) deed to those

submerged lands in Lake Worth in said Section 10, lying easterly of and abutting parcel in "a" outward to the established bulkhead line, containing 0.403 of an acre to be conveyed at the adjusted appraised price of \$862.00 per acre, subject to advertisement for objections only.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer at a cost of \$10.00, and advertisement for objections only of the parcel requested to be conveyed by deed.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 628-16-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Application to Purchase. The Director recommended formal approval of the bulkhead line established by Ordinance No. EE-25 adopted on September 22, 1959 by the City of Jacksonville, on the south and east side of the St. Johns River between the John T. Alsop Bridge and the Fuller Warren Bridge, north of the Expressway right of way, within the territorial area of the city, being offshore from property of the Baptist Memorial Hospital. The Coastal Engineering Laboratory examined the proposed bulkhead line and reported no adverse effects.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the bulkhead line fixed by the City of Jacksonville under provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes.

Application was presented from the Baptist Memorial Hospital for purchase of 1.46 acres of submerged land within said bulkhead line, adjacent to its upland property, west of Palm Park Subdivision as in Plat Book 20, page 23, and offered \$100.00 for the area desired for construction of nurses' home and additional hospital facilities. Mr. Ferguson advised that appraiser had not forwarded his report, but had reported by telephone a value of \$62,600.00 for the parcel of submerged land. Governor Collins suggested that in view of the quasi-public use, the Director should advise the Hospital the appraised price and that the Board would consider reduction in price provided the deed contain restriction for hospital uses only.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, unanimously adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for objections only, pending further consideration or adjustment of price.

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GULF COUNTY: File No. 658-23-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Application to Purchase. Port St. Joe Dock and Terminal Railway Company, by Silas R. Stone, requested formal approval of approximately two miles of bulkhead lines established by the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County on November 16, 1959, in St. Joseph's Bay in Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, 26, 35 and 36 of Township 8 South, Range 11 West, and in Section 2 of Township 9 South, Range 11 West, connecting with the bulkhead line formally approved by the Trustees August 19, 1958 in the Pick Hollinger application, located between the Hollinger line and the south city limits of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida.

Also, Port St. Joe Dock and Terminal Railway Company offered \$10.00 per acre for 326.84 acres of submerged land in Sections 13, 14, 23 and 24 of Township 8 South, Range 11 West, within the proposed bulkhead line. The Trustees examined the maps submitted, and Mr. Stone explained that the area was desired to be available for industrial park with deep water approaches planned. However, in the absence of a development plan providing for future community needs and public interests, the Trustees were not agreeable to accepting application for sale of so large and strategic an area, particularly since no progress had been reported in development of the large submerged area sold in 1958 in a nearby location. Attorney General Ervin called attention to the responsibility of the Trustees to public interests, as well as their

desire to see private developments which appeared helpful to growth of a community. Governor Collins stated that the fixing of a bulkhead line should offer sufficient encouragement to prospective enterprises.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Gulf County under provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes, and the Trustees deferred consideration of application to purchase the submerged lands subject to presentation by applicant of plan of development and appraisal being made to determine value.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of the bulkhead line established under provisions of Section 253.122, Florida Statutes, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County by Resolution adopted on March 23, 1960, offshore from all portions of the following described lands bordering on the navigable waters of the county: Section 2 of Township 32 South, Range 18 East; Sections 25, 35 and 36 of Township 31 South, Range 18 East; South one-quarter of Section 3 of Township 31 South, Range 19 East; and Sections 9, 10, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 30 of Township 31 South, Range 19 East.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, unanimously adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Hillsborough County Resolution dated March 23, 1960.

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MISCELLANEOUS

DUVAL COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Larson, unanimously adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of temporary easements requested by the Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce in favor of the United States of America covering Spoil Area Parcel 57-1 and "F", over land in the St. Johns River in Township 1 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, the easements to expire May 1, 1961, as requested.

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DUVAL COUNTY: J. L. Mayfield requested permission to construct a private boat house adjacent to his upland on Ribault River. Since the structure did not come within the definition of private, simple docks under current permit procedure, the Director recommended that the staff be given authority to issue permit for \$10.00 handling charge for this type of structure where not considered objectionable and subject to requirement of local and U. S. Engineers permits.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendations of the Director that the Trustees' staff issue permit for \$10.00 handling charge for this and similar private boat house applications subject to staff approval and local and U. S. Engineers permits.

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DUVAL COUNTY: Kaiser Gypsum Company, Inc., applied for State Permit for a commercial pier extending into the St. Johns River from upland in Sections 41 and 42 of Township 1 South, Range 27 East, to the ship channel. The upland property was owned by North Shore Corporation under option to the Kaiser firm, and Mr. Ferguson recommended issuance of the permit upon evidence of applicant acquiring the upland or written consent from North Shore Corporation.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of State Permit to applicant for the usual processing charge of \$100.00, subject to compliance with the Director's recommendations.



ESCAMBIA and SANTA ROSA COUNTIES: The State Road Department requested two temporary easements to dredge sand, stone and other materials for use on a public state road, covering the following submerged lands, sand bars, fills, islands and other lands in Pensacola Bay:

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: 6.70 acres, more or less, in Section 8, Township 2 South, Range 29 West;

SANTA ROSA COUNTY: 11.48 acres, more or less, north of Fractional Section 5 of Township 3 South, Range 29 West.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of temporary easements as requested by the State Road Department.

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GLADES COUNTY: Peeples Brothers applied for five-year extension from May 2, 1960, of their Grazing Lease No. 405-Revised, covering 350 acres of reclaimed Lake Hicpochee bottom lands. The Director recommended the extension at annual rental of \$175.00, with right reserved to Trustees to cancel on 30 days written notice.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved extension of the lease for five years, under conditions as recommended by the Director.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Robert C. Claiborne applied for permit to remove 500 cubic yards of fill material from bottoms of Lake June-in-Winter riparian to his upland in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 36 South, Range 29 East, to improve his beach damaged by erosion.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit at the standard rate of 5¢ per cubic yard, or \$25.00 in this instance.

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LEVY COUNTY: W. D. Reynolds requested disclaimer to clear his title to (a) the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34, (b) W $\frac{1}{2}$  of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 35, and (c) NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34, all being in Township 12 South, Range 13 West. All of the land was patented by the United States to the State of Florida in Newnansville Patent No. 2 on August 3, 1855. Parcels "a" and "b" were sold by the State to Jesse B. Tooke February 28, 1859, and parcel "c" was sold by the State to same grantee December 9, 1859. The sale records in the Land Office showed full payment received by the State, but the deeds did not appear in the public records of the county and no copies were kept by the Land Office at that time.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of disclaimer as to any right, title or interest of the State arising out of the United States patent, without prejudice to any interest subsequently vested in the State, for handling charge of \$10.00.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director advised that the City of Pompano Beach requested a date set for presentation to the full Board of its proposed project for emergency erosion control and beach restoration, plans for which were reviewed by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

The Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association had also requested a time allotted to discuss with the Board general program of state participation in erosion measures, and Mr. Larson suggested that both presentations be heard on May 17th.

The Trustees directed Mr. Ferguson to check with the members and advise the City of Pompano Beach and the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association the date for consideration of the erosion matters.

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ARTIFICIAL REEFS: State Permit to construct artificial reefs, agreed upon by the State Board of Conservation, the Trustees and the Attorney General, provided for " . . . only one dumping operation and will not be subject to renewal." However, in some instances construction of such reefs involved several barge trips with intervals between to gather materials, and timing depended upon weather and the free time of volunteer workers.

The Attorney General had reviewed the facts, and it was recommended to the Trustees that permits should be valid for a period of six months to allow completion of an artificial reef, all materials and the dumping operations to be certified to the Trustees by an authorized representative of the Board of Conservation.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved amendment of the permit for artificial reef construction as recommended by the Attorney General and staff.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Upon consideration of request from the Coordinator of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, Mr. Larson made a motion, duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement for bids to be taken for removal of the house at the corner of Calhoun and Madison Streets, known as the Mackery Apartment House (old Cochran House), in order that the half-block owned by the Trustees could be converted into a parking lot for the State Road Department.

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SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of County of Manatee Deed No. 108-Duplicate to Wilson Mays, in lieu of the original Murphy Act deed dated October 23, 1940, to same grantee, which was reported lost without having been recorded.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 10, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room, office of the Governor, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting on April 26, 1960.

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LAND SALES

DADE COUNTY: File No. 602-13-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$3,500.00 per acre from A. B. Parker and C. D. McCormick, abutting upland owners represented by John D. Moriarty, for purchase of two contiguous parcels of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 21, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, 0.58 of an acre more or less, in the City of Miami within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in The Miami Herald and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Protests to sale of the submerged land abutting the strip known as Royal Road were received from E. C. Overstreet, for Coconut Grove Chamber of Commerce, and from I. J. Thomas.

Upon motion duly adopted, action was deferred as recommended by the Director, pending proposed revision of the layout by the applicant.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 551-44-253.12. On February 23 the Trustees deferred action on offer of \$150.00 per acre from North Shore Bank as Trustee, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of sovereignty land in Section 22, Township 21 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 14.0 acres. Advertisement of the land had brought in protest from Edward Leitner that his riparian rights were affected. The area was cut back to 12.14 acres, and Mr. Leitner withdrew objections as to the 12.14 acres in revised layout.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the 12.14 acre parcel of submerged land to the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 553-44-253.12. On February 23 the Trustees considered offer of \$150.00 per acre from John G. McKay, Jr., Trustee for El Badabob Liquidation Trust, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of sovereignty land in Section 27, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, containing 4.0 acres, and action was deferred for working out the protest from Edward Leitner that his riparian rights were affected. The parcel was cut back to 1.44 acres, and Mr. Leitner withdrew objections to sale of the reduced area.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the 1.44 acre parcel of submerged land to the applicant, at the price offered.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 606-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Edwin E. Erwin and wife, abutting upland owners, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 13, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.43 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Protests from C. C. Heil and L. J. Gazzolo that filling would affect the view of the waterfront topography appeared unsound to the staff, since the suggested line for extension in the area was equitable to all riparian owners, and numerous small improvements had been made.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objections and confirmed sale of the 0.43 acre parcel to the applicants at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 611-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from A. J. Vondersaar and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.56 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and numerous objections to the sale were received from riparian owners in the vicinity.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action as recommended by the Director pending submission by the applicant of additional requested layout.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 603-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered application from Kirby L. McClain, Jr., and Enchanted Island, Inc., abutting upland owners represented by E. R. McCarthy, with offers of the established price of \$300.00 per acre for Parcel "A" containing 4.71 acres, and established price of \$250.00 per acre for Parcels "B" containing 2.33 acres and "C" containing 16.94 acres, all in the Bay of Florida in Section 26, Township 67 South, Range 25 East, at Raccoon Key. The parcels were advertised in The Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the three parcels to the applicants, at the established prices offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 607-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Frank B. Lenz and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Sections 12 and 13 of Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.92 of an acre, more or less. The land was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Lenz and wife, at the price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 610-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Edith E. Lounsbury, abutting upland owner represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.46 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed the sale in favor of applicant, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 613-44-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Charles W. Pierce and wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in the Bay of Florida, north of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 2, Section 10, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, at Key Vaca, containing 0.41 of an acre more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Keys Keynoter of Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed the sale in favor of applicant, at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 608-50-253.12. On March 29 the Trustees considered application of the First Baptist Church of West Palm Beach, represented by C. Robert Burns, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 1.262 acres, more or less, in the City of West Palm Beach. The Trustees agreed to sell the parcel for \$1,000.00, subject to advertisement for objections only, and subject to use restriction in deed. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the agreed price, deed to contain restriction for public parking purposes as approved by Attorney General.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 617-52-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees considered request of the City of Madeira Beach, abutting upland owner, for conveyance of a parcel of submerged land in Boca Ciega Bay in Section 9, Township 31 South, Range 15 East, containing 15 acres, more or less, within the corporate limits, for future planning and development of the Municipal Civic Center. The Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line and authorized advertisement for objections only, which was published in the St. Petersburg Times with proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office.

By telegram received on sale date, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Orsini protested sale, stating objections to filling open water areas of Boca Ciega Bay, that sufficient upland was available nearby for the city's purposes, and that residents had filed petition - not received by Trustees' office, however.

L. D. Childs, City Attorney, explained the city's plan for developing the area for recreation and civic uses, which the Trustees felt would be in the public interest.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees overruled the objection and approved conveyance without charge of the 15-acre parcel to the City of Madeira Beach, deed to contain restrictive clause for public purposes only.

SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 546-58-253.12. On March 22 the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only of a parcel of submerged land in Sarasota Bay in Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, containing 16.14 acres, more or less, adjacent to the Municipal Center, which the City of Sarasota requested conveyed for municipal purposes. The area was advertised in the Sarasota Herald-Tribune, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections were received.

Upon motion unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance without charge to the City of Sarasota, deed to contain restrictive clause for public purposes only.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

BREVARD COUNTY: File No. 652-05-253.12. Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, represented at the meeting by Commissioner Lee Wenner and Zoning Director O. D. Peavy, requested dedication, for recreational purposes for the use of Brevard County citizens and the general public, of 29.109 acres, more or less, of sovereignty mangrove islands, together with access strip to State Road No. 520, being in New Found Harbor in Sections 25 and 36, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, and Sections 30 and 31, Township 24 South, Range 37 East. Mr. Peavy told of the cooperative work and donations by citizens and civic groups under leadership of the Merrit Island Kiwanis Club. Written consent for use as a public area was obtained from all riparian upland owners within one thousand feet, and arrangement was made for access to the State Road Causeway.

Attorney General Ervin expressed the interest of the Trustees in granting islands and submerged lands to cities and counties for public recreation purposes.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved dedication to the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County of the mangrove island area as requested, for public recreational purposes only.

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DIXIE COUNTY: File No. 587-15-253.12. On April 12 the Trustees considered application by S. G. Register, on behalf of the Buckeye Cellulose Corporation, for competitive sale of three islands in the Gulf of Mexico in unsurveyed part of Sections 22, 23, 25 and 26 of Township 11 South, Range 9 East, containing 126 acres, more or less, known as Pepperfish Keys.

Letter of May 3 from applicant requested permission to withdraw his application.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees directed that the records show said application withdrawn.

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HENDRY COUNTY: File No. 660-26-253.36. Agnes Saddlemire, the abutting upland owner, made application for a parcel of permanently reclaimed bottom land appraised at \$100.00 per acre, in the abandoned river bed of the Caloosahatchee River in Section 5, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, containing 0.26 of an acre.

The Director recommended approval of sale without advertisement, following the usual procedure of conveying permanently reclaimed bottoms to upland owners.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized sale under the usual procedure as recommended, for \$100.00 minimum.



The following applications were presented from abutting upland owners for purchase of submerged areas riparian to their ownerships:

1. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 621-44-253.12. Middle Keys Development Corporation, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, Grassy Key, containing 3.6 acres. A ten-acre parcel originally applied for had been cut back at the suggestion of the Trustees' staff, to conform with the area bulkhead line.
2. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 642-44-253.12. Robert C. Reynolde, represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.6 acres, representing a cut-back made at the suggestion of the staff to conform to the area bulkhead line.
3. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 663-44-253.12. Walter D. Kirtley and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.25 of an acre.
4. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 664-44-253.12. Stanley K. Dimock, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.53 of an acre.
5. MONROE COUNTY: File No. 665-44-253.12. Karl H. Vickery and wife, represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for 1.88 acres of submerged land in Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key.

Motion was made by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, that the Trustees authorize advertisement of the five parcels for objections only, based on the offers submitted.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

FRANKLIN COUNTY: File No. 571-19-253.12. Presented for consideration was a bulkhead line established under provisions of Chapter 253.122, Florida Statutes of 1957, by the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County by Resolution adopted on November 16, 1959, encompassing an area of approximately 711 acres extending north from fractional Sections 21 and 28 of Township 6 South, Range 1 West. The line began at the shore at a point on the property boundary between Southern Dunes Company and St. Joe Paper Company, ran North 5,200 feet (beyond the mid-point of Ochlockonee Bay), East 4,350 feet into the Gulf of Mexico, Southerly 11,100 feet, and thence Southwest 729 feet to the shore of Southern Dunes property.

Also, application was presented by Lewis H. Homer, Trustee, riparian upland owner, and William S. Wightman, attorney, with offer of \$1.00 per acre for a 711-acre tract of Ochlockonee Bay submerged and tidal land within said bulkhead line. They proposed channel improvement, development of boat basin, recreational and residential facilities, and cited the interest and cooperation of Franklin County citizens and the benefits to economy of the county, and shallowness of the submerged area applied for.

Numerous letters in favor of the bulkhead line and project were filed in the Trustees' office, Max Kilbourne and Joe Constantine explained the layout, and Payne H. Midyette spoke on behalf of the development.

Mr. Ferguson recommended rejection of bulkhead line as not conforming to any natural shore contour, stated that application for purchase which anticipated filling and development more than half-way across the bay was considered grossly excessive in its offshore limit, that the plan design was good but unsuitable in size and shape in relation to the bay location, and that while the price offered was unrealistic, appraisal was not secured as the staff was recommending rejection. He pointed out that holder of a lease had refrained from disturbing shell deposit in that area on request of the Trustees and Board of Conservation.

Robert M. Ingle summarized objections of the State Board of Conservation, and Harry G. Smith presented objections to bulkhead line and development. A large number of protests were filed citing fishing, crabbing and live oyster beds, the effect of closure of over half of the mouth of the Bay, diversion of water currents and possible erosion.

After much discussion and examination of the maps, Attorney General Ervin recommended referring the matter back to the county with the suggestion that a revised and considerably reduced area plan and bulkhead line be prepared with cooperation of the Director, for consideration by the Trustees at a later date.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thompson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the staff that the bulkhead line be rejected; also, the application to purchase was rejected, without prejudice, and the members indicated that consideration might be given to a modified plan.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 628-16-253.12. Mr. Ferguson asked for advice on date for hearing representatives of Baptist Memorial Hospital concerning the purchase of 1.46 acres of submerged land and possible adjustment of price in recognition of the intended use as a hospital facility. It was indicated that only a quorum of members would be present at the next meeting, and Attorney General Ervin and Treasurer Larson, not expecting to be present, expressed their approval of reduction in price conditioned upon the hospital accepting deed with use restriction clause for hospital purposes only.

The Director was instructed to advise the applicant and arrange for presentation of the matter at a later date.

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DUVAL COUNTY: G. E. Douglas of Jacksonville applied for permit to remove one thousand cubic yards of fill material from Trout River in an area riparian to his upland property on Broward Road.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit at the standard charge of five cents per cubic yard, for the material to be used to improve the applicant's upland.

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MARION COUNTY: H. L. Ernst of Summerfield applied for permit to remove five hundred cubic yards of material from bottoms of Little Lake Weir in Section 14, Township 17 South, Range 23 East, to improve the shoreline of his residential property.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Mr. Ernst for the material requested, for charge of \$25.00.

**MARION COUNTY:** George H. Wenzel of Summerfield applied for permit to remove five hundred cubic yards of material from bottoms of Little Lake Weir in Section 14, Township 17 South, Range 23 East, to improve shoreline of his residential property.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit to Mr. Wenzel for the material requested, for charge of \$25.00.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** DesRocher Sand Company, Inc., requested three-year extension from expiration date of April 9, 1960, of Sand Lease No. 1172 which provides a royalty of 15¢ per cubic yard, monthly minimum \$25.00, and surety bond of \$1,000.00. Information was furnished that request for extension was mailed before expiration date but not received.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved three-year extension of the lease on the same terms and conditions.

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**OSCEOLA COUNTY:** At the request of Representative J. J. Griffin, Jr., there was presented for consideration of the Trustees a proposal by the City of St. Cloud to sell or grant to a church 15 acres of a 315-acre tract conveyed to the city on October 14, 1935 for municipal golf course and public airport. The matter had been referred to the office of the Attorney General for advice concerning whether the Trustees, entitled to reversion by reason of non-use for the stipulated purpose, could properly release the use clause to allow the city to convey to the church.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, that the matter be referred to the Attorney General and Director for working our recommendation to be presented to the Board at a later meeting.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** Trustees' Funds. Request was made by Representatives Ralph J. Blank, Jr., of Palm Beach County, Rupert J. Smith of St. Lucie County, L. B. (Buck) Vocelle of Indian River County, and Senator George W. Tedder, Jr., of Fort Lauderdale, for the Trustees to advance \$260,000.00 to the Board of Control to be used to complete detailed planning of the State University at Boca Raton to be available for presentation at the next session of the Legislature.

Also present on behalf of the request were State Superintendent of Public Instruction Thomas D. Bailey and Secretary of State R. A. Gray, members of the State Board of Education, Frank Buchanan and J. Broward Culpepper, member and secretary, respectively, of the State Board of Control, and others. Mr. Buchanan explained that in addition to \$50,000.00 that was made available for the purpose by the Legislature, and \$24,000.00 from other sources, the amount of \$260,000.00 was requested from the Trustees on the basis of an advance, for the repayment of which the legislative delegations would introduce and support a bill in the next Legislature. He further stated that if assured of up to that sum, to be called for in installments as needed, everything possible would be done to exercise economy without jeopardizing the job to be done in development of a first-class institution.

The Trustees discussed the approval by the State Board of Education, the relationship between use of public land and higher education, other commitments and projects calling upon Trustees' funds, and the probable depletion of the working capital considered necessary by the Trustees' auditor. While the opinion was expressed that it was an unusual expense for planning and not for actual construction, the Board agreed



to consider it an advance with the expectation that the Trustees would be reimbursed by Legislative appropriation through the efforts in good faith of the delegations offering to introduce and work for the passage of a bill to repay the Trustees.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, unanimously adopted, the Trustees approved commitment of up to \$260,000.00 of Trustees' funds, as an advance to the Board of Control as needed for the purpose explained above, with the expectation of reimbursement by the Legislature through the cooperation offered on this date by Mr. Blank and others on behalf of the delegations from Palm Beach, Broward, St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties.

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**TRUSTEES' POLICY: Release of Mineral Reservation.**

The statutory aspect of an application for release of oil and minerals reserved by Trustees in a parcel of unfilled submerged land upon which a building was erected on pilings was reviewed by the Attorney General who indicated that whether such use qualified the parcel as a building site for release appeared to be a matter of policy.

Ney C. Landrum explained that Judge R. H. Hunt had applied for release to facilitate his sale of a one-half acre parcel about fifty feet offshore on which a fishing camp was erected on pilings.

Heretofore, applications to Trustees for release of reserved oil and minerals on unfilled submerged lands were rejected, and releases were processed where submerged lands had been filled and building sites designated, generally by the recording of a subdivision plat and representation to the staff that the lots or small parcels were in fact building sites. Section 270.11 Florida Statutes provided that Trustees and State Board of Education might in their discretion sell or release such reserved interest in any particular parcel of land when there was a building thereon or proposed to be erected. "Land" as used in the statute referred to upland, public land, not submerged, and the staff felt that the use for building sites obviously referred to the usual use of upland and not submerged land, the waters over which should remain public until filled.

The requirement of filling before release was considered sound and consistent with intent of the public land statute which provided for releases on building sites on firm land, and the Director recommended confirmation as policy of the requirement of filling before releasing oil and mineral reservations.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Mr. Green and adopted, the Trustees confirmed as policy that release in accordance with Section 270.11 Florida Statutes would be considered, and granted upon applicant meeting procedural requirements, only for upland or submerged parcel after filled and developed as building site.

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**SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296**

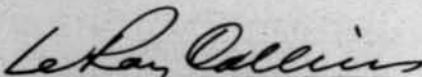
**HERNANDO COUNTY:** The staff requested approval of refund to Joseph E. Johnston, Jr., of \$10.00 paid to the Trustees for Hernando County Murphy Act Deed No. 532-Corrective. Explanation was that the former Clerk of the Circuit Court made an error but that corrective deed could not be issued to include an additional seven acres which were not advertised.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, refund of \$10.00 to Mr. Johnston was approved.


HERNANDO COUNTY: Offer of \$250.00 was presented from Ruthie J. White for conveyance under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953, of N $\frac{1}{4}$  of S $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, Township 22 South, Range 19 East, 10 acres, covered by tax sale certificate 638 of 1931. The application showed no conveyance arising out of former owner on June 9, 1939, and although the case appeared to be unfortunate for the applicant, it did not qualify to come under the Hardship Act according to Trustees' policy.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees declined to accept the application for conveyance under the Hardship Act.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 17, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, in the Capitol.

Present: LeRoy Collins	Governor
Ray E. Green	Comptroller
Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the minutes of the meeting on May 3, 1960, which had been approved by the Attorney General and copies presented to each member.

#### LAND SALE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 553-44-253.12. On February 23 the Trustees considered offer of \$150.00 per acre from John G. McKay, Jr., Trustee for El Radabob Liquidation Trust, abutting upland owner, for three parcels of sovereignty land at Key Largo, and because of an objection filed, sale was deferred. On April 12 it was reported that the objection did not refer to the 8.3 acre parcel in Section 6, Township 61 South, Range 40 East, Garden Cove, and the Trustees confirmed sale as to this one parcel in the application, deferring action on the two remaining parcels until objections were cleared.

On May 10 due to an inadvertent omission, only one of the remaining two parcels was considered. Containing 4.0 acres in the original application, this parcel had been cut back to 1.44 acres and objection to its sale was withdrawn. The Trustees approved sale of the 1.44 acre parcel.

On this date, attention was called to the omitted parcel in the application, 11.4 acres, more or less, of sovereignty land in Section 23, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, Key Largo, which was now cleared from protest and recommended for confirmation of sale at \$150.00 per acre, the price offered by applicant.

Governor Collins questioned manner of selling the land, and the Director pointed out on the plat submitted how submerged areas had been acceptably allocated to several riparian owners, one sale having been completed recently in the vicinity, and stated that the staff thought it was equitable and a good disposition of the shallow area to upland riparian owners.

Also, El Radabob proposed to reconvey to the Trustees without charge Government Lot 3 in Section 27, Township 61 South, Range 39 East, 14.6 acres lying under waters of Newport Bay. Mr. Ferguson recommended that Trustees accept reconveyance of the parcel and authorize issuance of instrument to be recorded in Monroe County Public Records dedicating the government lot to the perpetual use of the public.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to accept reconveyance of the 14.6 acres in Newport Bay for disposition as recommended by the Director, and confirmed sale of the 11.4 acre parcel at the price offered by El Radabob.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: File No. 662-13-253.12. Nelle Y. Worrall et al, abutting upland owners, offered the appraised price of \$2,890.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, containing 1.05 acres within the established bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 147-51-253.12. Bulkhead Line and Application. On November 17, 1959, the Trustees tentatively approved a proposed amended bulkhead line for spoil islands previously conveyed to applicant, L. F. Fernald, represented by J. Velma Keen. On January 12, 1960, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution establishing the amended line, which conformed to Trustees' suggestions for cut-back, thereby reducing considerably the submerged area encompassed.

Also, Mr. Fernald offered the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre for submerged land south of the Anclote River channel comprising approximately 36.9 acres in Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 15 East, within the amended bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the amended bulkhead line established on January 12, 1960, by the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County in accordance with provisions of Section 253.122 Florida Statutes; also, the Trustees authorized advertisement, for objections only, of the submerged land applied for, based on Mr. Fernald's offer of the appraised price.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

LEE COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of disclaimer to clear cloud on the title of land described as the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 27 East. The land was included in Trustees' certificate to Pensacola & Atlantic Railway which entitled the railway to receive title whenever the land should be patented to the State. Under Resolution in Minutes of December 21, 1907, a settlement was reached with Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company (successor in title to P & A Railway) concerning lands certified but not patented to the state, and on June 8, 1908, the L & N Railroad quitclaimed to the Trustees the subject ten acres and other tracts which had not been patented by the United States. The subject ten acres was included in United States Patent dated May 21, 1919, to Walter Moller.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance, for handling charge of \$10.00, of disclaimer of any apparent interest arising out of the L & N Railroad quitclaim of 1908, inasmuch as the State received no title under the quitclaim deed of 1908 and title was patented by the United States into private ownership in 1919.

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**MANATEE COUNTY:** J. Hardin Peterson, on behalf of Irwin R. Wolfe and wife, applied for disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes of 1957, for an area in Palma Sola Bay in Section 25, Township 34 South, Range 16 East, containing approximately 2 acres which affidavits showed was filled in 1925-1926.

Mr. Ferguson recommended that disclaimer be issued excepting all prior easements for state rights of way.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of disclaimer excepting all prior easements for state rights of way, for the \$10.00 handling charge.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** D. G. Bland, represented by H. Leighton Thomas, proposed to convey back to the Trustees without charge, a parcel of unfilled Boca Ciega Bay submerged land in Section 32, Township 30 South, Range 15 East, being part of a submerged tract conveyed April 20, 1955, to W. R. Parsley by Trustees' Deed No. 19695. The parcel lay in front of and adjacent to a developed subdivision, Harbor Shores.

The Director recommended acceptance of the deed, with evidence of ownership, so that the unfilled parcel would be exempted from tax assessment and converted into a public area.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees agreed to accept reconveyance of the submerged land, and approved its remaining an unfilled water area in the public interest.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** J. H. Bolesta and wife tendered \$100.00 in payment for state permit for construction of commercial dock extending into Tampa Bay from their upland property. Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority had issued county permit with approval of the dredging necessary for navigation.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of state permit to applicants with the usual provisions and requirements, for \$100.00 charge.

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**TRUSTEES AS STATE EROSION AGENCY:** Activity of the Trustees in the field of erosion work as defined in Section 253.65 Florida Statutes was reviewed, including use of surplus funds for approved projects based on public need and interest. Representing Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association at the meeting on this date were Cleveland C. Insko, Jr., President, W. Turner Wallis, Ney C. Landrum, A. O. Mortonson of Pensacola, Mayor Finch and Mr. Weatherly of Clearwater, Commissioner Fred Gill of Pasco County, City Manager Kenneth Thompson of Sarasota, and others concerned with erosion control.

Speaking for the group, Mr. Landrum stated that the Association, created in January 1957, had sponsored the Legislative Act which confirmed responsibility of Trustees as the state beach erosion agency, was composed of about forty local community, county government and special improvement district organizations concerned with beach protection and erosion control needs, that for several years the program had consisted of obtaining views of local interests directly concerned - actually on the shores and beaches - as well as those concerned with preserving beach areas

for public recreation, and that while some localities had been able to enter into agreements with the Federal government for studies and assistance, the only present source of funds within the state was the Trustees' fund.

Mr. Thompson spoke of the work of American Shore & Beach Association on a nation-wide basis, the progress in Florida, the Coastal Engineering Laboratory's ability to offer technical direction for reasonably economic jobs of erosion control, explained that erosion was a natural process which man must combat, and that since many problems were beyond the realm of localities or counties, the state was involved.

The Trustees were requested to take under advisement a policy adopted by the Board of Directors of Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association designed to be equitable, based on public interest, and uniformly applicable for all requests for funds. A formula similar to that used by the Federal government (Corps of Engineers) was proposed, which would provide 50% of the total cost for studies. Where a locality had already entered into agreement for one-half of cost from the United States, this would amount to one-fourth of the over-all cost from the state, as in the recent Broward County case where Trustees contributed one-fourth. For construction, total contribution from Trustees of from zero to one-third of total cost was proposed, depending on amount of public interest involved; and a three-way project was recommended with the United States, state and locality each contributing one-third of construction costs.

Governor Collins stated that the suggested policy of limiting grants to one-third on construction, one-half on studies, was good since the available funds should be spent equitably, that any formula should be subject to waiver of limitations as far as the law allowed, that it was recognized that where erosion affected private land the adjacent beach was actually public, and that the state was aware of the critical situation and the need for action.

The Trustees thanked the group for its interest and agreed to take the policy suggestions under advisement for further consideration by the entire Board.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 754 listing two regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act land, and authorized issuance of deeds pertaining thereto.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** On April 19, 1960, the Trustees considered request from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe County for acceptance of applications to purchase about 960 lots, 55 by 100 feet each, in Rainbow Beach Subdivision on Big Torch Key, held under the Murphy Act. The area was represented as entirely undeveloped, without roads, many lots being in swamp. The Clerk submitted a recent aerial photograph requested by the Trustees, and earlier report on character of the land appeared confirmed.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized that, as to one-half of the state-owned Rainbow Beach lots in the Northerly zone of the subdivision (324 lots according to records in Trustees' office), the withdrawal order of July 31, 1951, be rescinded and lots released for sale, and that the Clerk be authorized to receive applications and process sales under the established procedure for Murphy Act lands, with a base bid of \$100.00 per lot plus advertising costs and Clerk's fees.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST: Lee Thompson  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

LeRoy Collins  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 24, 1960

The Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, in the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

#### LAND SALES

MARTIN COUNTY: File No. 627-43-253.12. On April 5th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$200.00 from W. L. Bailey and Maxine M. Bailey, his wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Indian River in Section 26, Township 37 South, Range 41 East, containing 3.36 acres, more or less, within the established Jensen Beach area bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in The Stuart News, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicants at the appraised price offered for the parcel.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 626-44-253.12. On April 5th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Yievan J. Ceikus, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Florida Bay in Section 12, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.23 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Ceikus at the price offered for the parcel.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 633-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from S. Alden Perrine and Vera Joy Perrine, his wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 2.41 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. and Mrs. Perrine at the price offered.



MONROE COUNTY: File No. 634-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Robert E. Healy, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 2.26 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. Healy at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 635-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Algie R. Shreffler and wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.73 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to Mr. and Mrs. Shreffler at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 636-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Clara Krome Wilson, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.63 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale to the applicant at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 637-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from John S. Rice and Luene R. Rice, his wife, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 1.37 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised, to Mr. and Mrs. Rice, at the price offered.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 638-44-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Mary Krome Jones, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 5, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 0.72 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to the applicant, at the price offered.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 511-50-253.12. On April 5th the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$2,995.50 per acre from Mugwump, Inc., abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, within the established bulkhead line of the City of West Palm Beach, containing 0.713 of an acre, lying easterly of and abutting the parcel authorized to be disclaimed under Section 253.129, Florida Statutes of 1957. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

At the applicant's request, the parcel was cut back to 0.661 of an acre, within the advertised area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the 0.661 acre parcel to Mugwump, Inc., at the appraised price.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 612-50-253.12. On March 29th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$1,401.00 per acre from Katharine C. Arnold, et al, riparian upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth between the established bulkhead line and applicant's Lots 1 to 8, Block 37, North Palm Beach Plat No. 3, lying in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.865 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, with proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by Willis B. Ingham on behalf of himself, Ralph Rankin, Edward Hampton, Wesley A. and Hazen Smith, on the grounds that bulkheading and filling of Lake Worth might leave only a canal through the lake. On the sale date, Mr. Ferguson advised the Trustees that the lake was approximately a mile wide, the bulkhead line averaged less than 165 feet offshore in front of applicant's upland and was west of Intracoastal Waterway, and that Mr. Ingham had made similar objection to other sales to the bulkhead line in the zone, which were not considered sound and the sales had been confirmed.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objections and confirmed sale to the applicant at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 629-50-253.12. On April 12th the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$1,401.00 per acre from John B. Nicholson, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth between the established bulkhead line and applicant's lots in Block 38, North Palm Beach Plat No. 3, lying in Sections 3 and 4, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, containing 0.505 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Palm Beach Post, with proof of publication filed with the Trustees.

Objection was filed by Willis B. Ingham on behalf of himself, Ralph Rankin, Edward Hampton, Wesley A. and Hazen Smith, on the grounds that bulkheading and filling of Lake Worth might leave only a canal through the lake. On the sale date, Mr. Ferguson advised the Trustees that the lake was approximately a mile wide, the bulkhead line averaged less than 165 feet offshore in front of applicant's upland and was west of Intracoastal Waterway, and that Mr. Ingham had made similar objection to other sales to the bulkhead line in the zone, which were not considered sound and the sales had been confirmed.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees overruled the objections and confirmed sale to the applicant at the price offered.

#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 668-44-253.12. George E. Bouckhuyt and Marion L. Bouckhuyt, upland riparian owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, offered the established price of \$425.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Bay of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.36 of an acre, more or less.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

#### BULKHEAD LINE AND APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

ST. JOHNS COUNTY: File No. 657-55-253.12. The Director recommended to the Trustees for formal approval the bulkhead line established by the City Commission of St. Augustine, Florida, in Resolution No. 1892 adopted in regular session on November 23, 1959, the bulkhead line being in the San Sebastian River offshore from property of Antonio Sarris and wife, and described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest Corner of Lot 2, Block G, Wildwood Subdivision as recorded in Map Book 1, Page 133, of the Public Records of St. Johns County, Florida; thence S 84° 48' 14" W. 41.23 feet to Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army reference monument St. A. H. 7 as shown on their control map entitled "Dredging 10-foot project in San Sebastian River", D. O. File No. 10-23,558; thence S. 10° 05' 08" W. 710.03 feet to the Point of Beginning and the South limit of the Established Bulkhead Line; thence N. 29° 46' 44" E. 250.0 feet parallel to and 80.0 feet Westerly of the Westerly edge of Cut P, Corps of Engineers 10-foot project in San Sebastian River; thence N. 67° 54' 57" E. 350.0 feet parallel to and 80.0 feet Westerly of the Westerly edge of Cut Q, Corps of Engineers 10-foot project in San Sebastian River to the Northerly limit of the Established Bulkhead Line.

Also, application was presented from Antonio Sarris and wife, riparian upland owners, represented by Donald E. Buck, with offer of the appraised price of \$1,000.00 per acre, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in San Sebastian River in Section 19, Township 7 South, Range 30 East, in St. Augustine, containing 1.2 acres within the above described bulkhead line.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the City of St. Augustine, and authorized the parcel of submerged land advertised for objections only.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

BAY COUNTY: Attention was called to the construction of a dam by the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County under authorization of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers across North Bay at Deer Point, which would impound water to an elevation of five feet above mean sea level for industrial use. Trustees' assent was granted August 22, 1958.

S. W. Brewton requested authority to dredge material in that portion of North Bay adjacent to his upland, within the area of the bay in which water was to be impounded and land flooded by the county dam, in order to fill his private upland to an elevation above contemplated flood stage of the artificial lake. Mr. Brewton advised that he had granted easement to the county and waived claim for damages from the flooding.



The Director recommended that owners of upland within and adjacent to the area to be flooded be allowed to dredge material from the area to be flooded, adjacent to their uplands, to raise their existing lands only above the flood stage and to minimize damages consequential to installation and function of the county dam.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director as action of the Board, and instructed the Director to notify the Board of County Commissioners of the action taken.

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DADE COUNTY: Sinclair and Lovett, on behalf of Sunny Isles Ocean Beach Company, applied for disclaimers of submerged lands (a) within established bulkhead line at Fairyland Island in Government Lot 1 of Section 14, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, Plat Book 39, Page 67, 1.33 acres, and (b) within established bulkhead line at Royal Palm Island in Lots 82 and 83, Tatums Ocean Beach Park Subdivision in Section 14, Township 52 South, Range 42 East, 0.05 of an acre.

Affidavits by M. B. Garris, Registered Land Surveyor and Engineer, recited personal knowledge of the areas from 1917 and affirmed that the submerged areas proposed for disclaimers were formerly upland, now submerged by reason of dredging during 1922-1923, and not by reason of erosion.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of the two disclaimers for handling charge of \$10.00 each.

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DADE COUNTY: No action was taken on this date on the bulkhead line at Mashta Point, due to request from a Dade County Commissioner for deferment. Since full hearings had been held by the Trustees on December 9, 1958, and on January 26, 1960, the Trustees expressed the intention to hold no further hearings, but to make a determination on the bulkhead line at the next meeting provided Dade County Board of County Commissioners had not reversed its approval of the line under consideration.

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DADE COUNTY: State Road Department made application for easement for 48-month term to dredge material from a submerged area 1,000 feet North and South by 4,820 feet East and West, situate North of present dredging area North of 36th Street Causeway in Biscayne Bay.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved the limited easement requested by the State Road Department.

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DUVAL COUNTY: Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, requested temporary spoil easement to expire May 1, 1961, covering approximately 34 acres in St. Johns River designated as Spoil Area H-2, in front of Section 53, Township 1 South, Range 27 East (Chaseville). The Director stated that the spoil area was very near the upland of private owners, but not an extension of the uplands, and that the U. S. Engineers Real Estate Division had agreed to furnish written consent of the riparian owners. No bulkhead lines were fixed for the zone.

There was discussion of probability of infringement on riparian rights of the upland owners, and possible subsequent sale of the filled spoil areas.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the spoil easement for use of U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to May 1, 1961, as requested, conditioned upon written consent of the riparian owners being filed with the Trustees.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: On March 8, 1960, the Trustees considered the application of Perdido Land Company for oil and gas lease of the submerged Perdido Bay lands in Escambia County, and authorized advertisement for sealed bids, the lease to provide for drilling operations to commence within the first year of the lease. Form of the lease must be available for inspection by prospective bidders and question arose as to whether the first well, to be commenced within one year, must be completed within one year.

It was reported that Senator Phillip D. Beall, representing the applicant, Perdido Land Company, had raised the question as to time for completion of the first well, and he was agreeable to a suggestion for completion within 18 months of the well to be commenced within the first year.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Director that the lease provide for the first well to be completed within 18 months after date of lease, such provision to have no effect on the provisions of the lease requiring further wells within succeeding 2½ year periods.

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LAKE COUNTY: Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved request from the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials that the Trustees join in four conveyances of lands not suitable for State Park purposes in the Lake Griffin State Park area which were duly authorized for sale, appraised, advertised for bids, sold to the highest bidders and approved by the Park Board for issuance of deeds, as follows:

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>APPRAISED</u>	<u>SALE PRICE</u>
Irwin Cauthen, et al	40	\$ 875.00	\$ 4,005.00
Catherine M. Stump	50	500.00	3,400.00
David Matthews, et ux	80	400.00	4,340.00
Darrell C. King	173.5	8,375.00	23,160.00

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MANATEE COUNTY: File No. 390-41-253.124. The Director recommended formal approval of the fill permit granted on May 5, 1960, by the Town of Holmes Beach to Key Royale, Inc., to fill submerged lands previously conveyed, within the bulkhead line, in Tampa Bay at School Key, Sections 16, 17, 20 and 21 of Township 34 South, Range 16 East, Town of Holmes Beach, to be filled for residential subdivision purposes.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the fill permit as recommended by the Director.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Lester W. Jennings on behalf of First Baptist Church of Okeechobee, made application for new deed covering Lots 5, 7 and 9 to 12 inclusive, in Block 13, Wright's First Addition, in Section 22, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, Plat Book 1, page 13, in favor of the Trustees of the Church, in lieu of Deed No. 20952 dated June 28, 1955, which showed the Church as grantee.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of corrective deed to the Trustees of First Baptist Church of Okeechobee, for handling charge of \$10.00.

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OSCEOLA COUNTY: On May 10th the Trustees referred to the Attorney General and Director for recommendation the request of the City of St. Cloud to convey to a church a portion of a tract conveyed to the city for municipal golf course and airport.

O. P. Johnson, for the city, requested statement of cost for release of the special purpose clause as to NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 10, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, 15 acres, being part of the 315 acres conveyed on October 14, 1935, by Trustees' Deed No. 49-5 under Chapter 14572, Acts of 1929, for the sum of \$1.00, for use as municipal golf course and airport, the deed containing no specific reversion clause for non-use. Mr. Johnson advised that the site was desired for a church and church school.

The Director advised that no Resolution by the City Commission was furnished setting forth whether sale or donation was contemplated by the city, nor was it shown whether any of the 315 acre tract was used for the purposes specified in the deed, and that possibly reversion was implied if the land was not used or needed by the city.

Attorney General's memorandum of May 18th advised that "It is within the discretion of the Trustees to deed property to a city with or without a public purpose clause", and cited concessions in price made by the Trustees in conveyances of lands to churches for educational, college and public parking lot.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved removal of the public use clause as to the 15 acres, for \$10.00 handling charge, so that the city might make proposed conveyance to the church, it being the feeling of the Board that such use of the land would be of as much value to the city as the purposes set out in the deed clause.

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TRUSTEES' FUNDS: The Trustees' attention was directed to the availability of an electronic logging machine for immediate purchase from owner at Miami, being equipment needed by the State Geologist. Funds for purchase of equipment for the State Geological Survey not being available under the current budget, and the machine having been found to be in excellent condition, motion was made and adopted authorizing advance of up to \$7,000.00 from Trustees' funds for the purchase to be made, repayment to be made during the next fiscal year.

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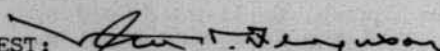
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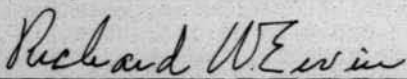
Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of County of Hillsborough Deed No. 4329-Corrective to Kirby F. Pemberton, in lieu of original deed dated January 16, 1946, to the same grantee, corrective deed having been requested to add a certificate number to description of the land conveyed.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
May 31, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson	Director-Secretary
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Upon motion duly adopted, the minutes of the meeting on May 17, 1960, were approved.

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY:** On March 29, 1960, Trustees authorized offering for competitive sale a new 25-year lease of the Pelican Bay tract with base bid of \$14.90 per acre per year, the appraised price, covering 2,965 acres, more or less, currently under Agricultural Lease No. 728 to Richlands, Inc., expiring under its own terms on June 30, 1960. The Board decided that no advertisement in the manner of land sales was necessary, but that publicity would be desirable and that the Director should prepare and distribute prospectus describing the land, provisions and covenants to be in the new lease, bidding terms, including the condition that the successful bidder, if not current lessee, would be required to purchase removable facilities, certain equipment and improvements, the property of Richlands, Inc., offered by the owner at \$97,198.00.

The Director reported that at the appointed time bids were taken, but there was not real competitive bidding, only three bids having been made. E. W. Wilder offered \$11.00 per acre, Robert D. Apelgren offered \$14.90 per acre, both seeking lease without having to take the improvements, however; and Richlands, Inc., offered \$14.90 per acre per year. It was recommended that all bids be rejected, that present lessee be given a period of time to remove improvements, and that lease be re-offered for competitive bidding.

There was discussion of past history of the tract of land, character of the soil and necessity for drainage as a unit, details and legal questions encountered each time lease term expired, and protests received at this offering on the requirement that successful bidder purchase lessee's facilities, as well as the situation of the waters of Pahokee Drainage District having to be drained off through the Pelican Bay pumping works.

Representing Okeelanta Sugar Refinery, Inc., were Salustiano Garcia Diaz, M. L. Quintana, and George H. Salley, attorney. Mr. Salley stated that company was interested in lease or purchase, but considered the drainage of Pahokee Drainage District a dangerous liability and the required purchase of improvements unrealistic.

Mr. Apelgren said that as a farmer in the area, he had been interested in the land for years and wanted a chance to bid without taking the equipment. Mr. Wilder expressed similar intention, explaining that he was subleasing from Richlands at a much higher rental than the state was receiving.

Representing Richlands, Inc., were attorney C. Robert Burns and W. G. Hull, president, who asked for a year's time to remove his improvements. The Trustees were not agreeable to this.

Governor Collins expressed the opinion, concurred in by other members, that the tract should be sold and the land placed on the Palm Beach County tax rolls, and that 90 days after sale date the new owner would be entitled to possession and the present lessee would be required to have removed that certain equipment already determined and agreed by the Attorney General and the lessee to be "removable", which equipment was offered by Richlands for sale on this date to successful bidder for lease. Assurance was given to those present that notice would be given and opportunity to be heard if for any reason change in today's action was found necessary, and that the usual contract purchase arrangements would be allowed.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for competitive bids for sale of the Pelican Bay tract of 2,965 acres, more or less, with base bid the appraised price of \$1,020,000.00, and that Richlands, Inc., if not successful bidder, would be given 90 days after bids are taken for removal of facilities previously determined to be "removable".

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE LAND

**BROWARD COUNTY:** File No. 625-06-253.12. On March 1, 1960, the bulkhead line fixed by City of Fort Lauderdale for Isla Bahia was approved by Trustees in recognition of the existing land mass, but conditioned that approval should not be construed as a determination of right to fill sovereignty lands since June 11, 1957, nor title thereto, nor a determination of private rights related thereto.

On May 3, 1960, Company Six-C, Inc., owner of adjacent land, applied to purchase the two parcels of sovereignty land aggregating four acres, platted of record in nine lots of Isla Bahia Subdivision, filled by applicant after passage of Chapter 57-362, Acts of 1957, without compliance with law as to bulkhead line, acquisition of submerged land from Trustees, or fill permit. Since offer made was less than amount recommended by the Director, appraisal, or price asked by developer's sales plat, action was deferred for company to be given opportunity to present a new offer.

Present for Company Six-C, Inc., were L. C. Judd, and attorneys W. P. Owen, Russell McCaughan and George W. English. Mr. Owen reviewed the history of the developer's operations beginning in 1955 with informal application to the Land Office for purchase of bottom lands or fill material, and although proper application did not proceed to completion on the four acres in question, his contention was that there was no intent to defraud, that all the dredging, filling and improvement was a continuing transaction, purchase of the state land was planned, and no time limit was placed upon completion of the transaction. He protested the suggested price, and Mr. McCaughan pointed out that the state land would have been shallow mud bank if not improved by the subdivider.

Recalling other settlements for lands illegally filled through error, the Trustees pointed out that the company erred in assuming acquisition before payment and conveyance, that the state's rights should have been respected, that in fact it appeared from the map that fill at that site might be undesirable.

Governor Collins suggested a division of the four acres, with the four tip lots (Lots 12, 13, 14 and 15 on the plat) being deeded to the state, and Attorney General Ervin suggested as an alternative that the Trustees sell the four acres for \$50,000.00.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved settlement for the four acres of state land filled by Company Six-C, Inc., on either of two bases - conveyance to the state of the four tip lots, or sale of the four acres of sovereignty land to the company for \$50,000.00, with payment of \$10,000.00 down and the balance in two years.

DADE COUNTY: File No. 659-13-253.12. Brickell Mansions, Inc., abutting upland owner represented by Aronovitz, Aronovitz and Haverfield, offered the appraised price of \$4,350.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in unsurveyed Section 13, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, containing 1.43 acres within the established bulkhead line of the City of Miami.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: File Nos. 675, 676, 677, 678-29-253.12. Hillsborough County requested commitment, as a grant for public park and recreational purposes, of an offshore sovereignty tract within the established bulkhead line, comprising 257.3 acres, more or less, in Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 16 East, in Tampa Bay, Easterly of Mangrove Point. The Director explained that the county's application and related agreements of three private owners had been reviewed with the Attorney General, that the county's application conformed to provisions of Section 253.126 concerning development of public areas in the zone riparian to private owners with owners' written consent, that the county desired to make provision in new budget and must show prospect of obtaining the area for improvement under the new budget.

By reason of irregularities in the U. S. Surveys, the subject area might be construed as riparian to waterfront properties of Charles and Hamilton Forman, Lyle Dickman, and Rita Harnett. Formal agreements in proper form were entered into by the private owners waiving any rights they might have in the area and agreeing to an apportionment of the remainder of the sovereignty area within the bulkhead line, evidenced by the execution of quitclaim deeds each to the other covering the agreed allocations, being held in escrow for delivery to the respective private applicants, the entire agreement being conditioned upon the county making application for the subject area on or before June 1, 1960.

The agreement of the private owners, on file, made delivery of deed to the county conditioned on sales of the three parcels of submerged lands to the private owners, who offered \$75.00 per acre for purchase of the following parcels of submerged lands within the bulkhead line;

- (a) File No. 676-29-253.12: Charles Forman, et al, 248.8 acres, more or less, northeasterly of Mangrove Point in Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 18 East.
- (b) File No. 677-29-253.12: Lyle Dickman, et al, 212 acres, more or less, southeasterly from and including Mangrove Point in Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 18 East.
- (c) File No. 678-29-253.12: Rita Harnett, 89.8 acres, more or less, southeasterly of Mangrove Point in Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 18 East.

On map and aerial photograph the Director pointed out problems which had been solved by the owners' agreements with the county and each other, and recommended approval of the applications.

Further explanation was made by Adrian S. Bacon, who represented Mr. Forman.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved conveyance to the county without charge, for public park and recreational purposes, deed to be held until sale date and subject to disposition of the three private applications, fixed a price of \$80.00 per acre for lands applied for by the three owners, and authorized advertisement of the submerged land for objections only.



### BULKHEAD LINE

DADE COUNTY: On May 24, 1960, the Trustees set this date for disposition of the bulkhead line fixed by Dade County for the area known as Mashta Island, shown on Sheets 30 and 30-A of the county bulkhead maps, which line had been applied for by property owners represented by Judge Albert S. Dubbin.

The Director stated that proponents and opponents had been notified, and that the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County on May 26, 1960, had reaffirmed the placement of the line and requested approval by the Trustees. He recommended approval of the line, which had the recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, also.

The Trustees felt that full consideration and ample hearings had been given, and that since agreement had not been achieved by the interested parties, further action or litigation should be at the local level.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the Dade County bulkhead line on Sheets 30 and 30-A of the official county bulkhead maps, but with the understanding that by this action no commitment was made as to any question of title or right to fill or develop.

### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: State Road Department applied for dedication of certain submerged lands in the South Fork of New River in Fort Lauderdale, in Sections 9 and 16 of Township 50 South, Range 42 East, 0.68 of an acre, required for construction of State Road No. 82. Permission of all riparian upland owners was granted, in accordance with Section 253.126 Florida Statutes.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved dedication of the parcel to the State Road Department as requested.

DADE COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested perpetual easement for canal rights of way purposes for the secondary channel system in Dade County west of Hialeah, covering the following described lands:

East 130 feet and West 45 feet of Hiatus Lot 4, in Township 53/54 South, Range 39 East, containing 11.97 and 4.34 acres, respectively, and

East 155 feet of Hiatus Lot 5, in Township 53/54 South, Range 39 East, containing 14.94 acres,

title to these hiatus lots being in the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of perpetual easement to the District as requested.

BROWARD COUNTY: Trustees' Funds. City of Pompano Beach submitted application for approval of a proposed erosion control project under Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957 (Section 253.65 Florida Statutes), which allows use of Trustees' surplus funds on a matching basis not to exceed fifty percent of the total. On December 22, 1959, the Trustees were informed of the critical erosion problem and that the city was proceeding with details precedent to making application for financial assistance.

Mayor Alice Lindner, City Manager J. S. Hughes, and Col. H. C. Gee discussed the emergency nature of the work, the report of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, the engineering plans prepared by

a consulting engineer for the city, the city's compliance with information and regulations of the Trustees, and reported that the city's matching one-half of the total cost (estimated at \$80,000.00) would be raised by levy of tax on the zone to be benefitted. Some technical questions were discussed and mention was made of problems raised by erosion which would require proper determination, as in one case where a whole tier of lots had eroded leaving owner of another parcel now the apparent waterfront owner. Mr. Gee stated that the city manager, city attorney and Attorney General had conferred on the proposed erosion project plans.

The members agreed that use of state funds was merited, and upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved participation in the erosion control project of the City of Pompano Beach under provisions of Chapter 57-791, and authorized contribution of Trustees' funds in the amount of \$38,500.00 to match funds of the city in same amount, subject to details of the formal agreement being worked out with the Attorney General.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: State Board of Conservation recommended issuance of State Permit to the West Palm Beach Fishing Club for construction of artificial reefs in areas 2,800 yards and 3,200 yards offshore in the Atlantic Ocean, opposite Riviera Beach and the Port of Palm Beach.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit to West Palm Beach Fishing Club as requested, under the usual permit conditions and for the regular \$50.00 charge.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: The Director recommended issuance of State Permit to Arvida Realty Company for installation of twenty-three (23) low, adjustable groins along oceanfront south of Boca Raton Inlet between Boca Raton Cabana Club and corporate limit of Deerfield Beach, in accordance with study report and recommendations of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, with requirement of \$12,000.00 surety bond to guarantee performance of the requirements of the permit.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of groin permit to Arvida Realty Company as recommended, subject to \$12,000.00 surety bond, compliance with the usual permit conditions and charge of \$10.00.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: State Drilling Lease No. 833. J. L. McCord, representing Commonwealth Oil Company, appeared before the Board with a request for footage credit to be given on the company's Lease No. 833, for proposed drilling of a well for Florida Hot Mineral Springs, Inc., on an upland parcel on Santa Rosa Island under jurisdiction of Okaloosa Island Authority.

The Director stated that the location was not in the company's lease area, and there had been no opportunity for checking into the request prior to the meeting.

At the suggestion of Governor Collins, the Trustees referred the matter to the Attorney General, the Director, and the State Board of Conservation, and authorized this committee to act for the Trustees in the premises after full consideration of the provisions of the law and the public interest involved.

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TIDELANDS CASE: As information to the Board, Attorney General Ervin reported that the United States Supreme Court had ruled in the Tidelands Case, upholding an Act of Congress that the State of Florida was entitled to submerged lands in the Gulf of Mexico for

a distance of three marine leagues (10.45 statute miles) offshore. He said that the ruling was a victory for the state, would encourage activity in oil exploration, return to the state abated oil lease moneys, confirm title in the state and in private ownership of certain submerged areas, causeways and fills, but did not resolve questions as to seaward boundary location with reference to islands, archipelagos, et cetera.

Motion was made by Attorney General Ervin, seconded by Mr. Larson, and unanimously adopted, that the following resolution be spread upon the Trustees' minutes extending credit and commendation to Senator Spessard L. Holland:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the decision in the Tidelands suit by the Supreme Court of the United States has settled the question of ownership of submerged lands in the Gulf of Mexico whereby the ownership of the State of Florida was fixed at three marine leagues offshore and such decision is of inestimable value to the State of Florida, and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Spessard L. Holland, United States Senator from Florida, gave untiringly of his time and talents both in the legislation affecting said lands and in the litigation resulting in the most favorable decision, and

WHEREAS, Senator Holland did actively participate in the preparation of the brief on behalf of the State of Florida and in the argument of the case before the Supreme Court of the United States, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) That the fruits of the labor of Senator Holland will hereafter be enjoyed and realized by the State of Florida.
- (2) That an invaluable service has been rendered by Senator Holland to the State of Florida which was far beyond the call of duty.
- (3) That this Board, on behalf of the State of Florida, hereby expresses its sincere thanks and gratitude to Senator Holland.
- (4) That a copy hereof be spread upon the Minutes of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida and a copy be furnished to Senator Holland.

LeROY COLLINS, Governor  
J. EDWIN LARSON, State Treasurer  
RAY E. GREEN, Comptroller  
RICHARD W. ERVIN, Attorney General  
LEE THOMPSON, Commissioner of  
Agriculture

AS AND CONSTITUTING THE TRUSTEES OF THE  
INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF  
THE STATE OF FLORIDA

ATTEST: VAN H. FERGUSON, Director.



SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 756 listing 1 regular bid for purchase of land under the Murphy Act.

BAY COUNTY: Bessie Edwards, represented by E. R. Duncan, offered \$200.00, in addition to deposit with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of all taxes plus interest and costs due in accordance with provisions of Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953, for conveyance under the Hardship Act of two parcels of land in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 3, Township 4 South, Range 14 West, containing 0.29 of an acre, on which tax sale Certificate Nos. 3527 and 3528 of 1933 were issued.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized conveyance of the parcel to the applicant as requested, since the case complied with provisions of the Act and Trustees' policy, and a fair offer was made for the land.

LIBERTY COUNTY: On March 22, 1960, the Trustees denied request for cancellation of tax sale Certificate No. 169 of 1933 embracing N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 1 North, Range 7 West, Liberty County, Florida, which had been requested by Ronald C. Brugh, representing St. Joe Paper Company. Mr. Brugh was advised to make application for purchase of the 80 acres under Chapter 28317, Acts of 1953 - the so-called Hardship Act.

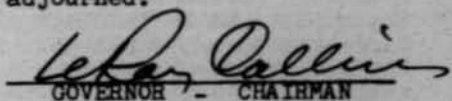
Mr. Brugh made application with an offer to the state of \$10.00 for the 80 acres, formerly owned by Catherine M. Peterson, in addition to compliance with provisions of the Act.

Upon motion by Attorney General Ervin, duly adopted, the Trustees accepted the offer and authorized conveyance of the parcel to former owner under provisions of Chapter 28317.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 7, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the minutes of the meeting on May 24, 1960 were approved.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: Pelican Bay Tract. On May 31 the Trustees authorized competitive sale of the Pelican Bay lands under Lease No. 728 to Richlands, Inc., expiring June 30, 1960, and authorized allowance of 90 days after sale date for current lessee, if not successful bidder, to remove its improvements classed heretofore as removable. Sale was suggested for July 5, but staff investigation was required on easement to be reserved for Canal "A", pump site and pump operator house located in the 75-acre triangular parcel south of Pahokee Airport, west of State Road 717, withdrawn for the county on March 29, 1960.

By Resolution adopted June 6, 1960, Palm Beach County requested withdrawal of 275 acres in Section 25, Township 42 South, Range 36 East, for future use by the county for airport expansion and industrial facilities. However, the Director advised that as result of a conference on June 6 with Kenneth P. Foster, Vice-Chairman of the County Commissioners, and Steve Middleton, County Engineer, an adjusted area of 195 acres was agreed upon as feasible for future necessary public purposes of the airport and related industrial use. Mr. Harry A. Johnston, County Attorney, indicated agreement with the adjustment in acreage.

By Resolution No. 12-60 adopted June 4, 1960, the City of Pahokee requested withdrawal and dedication of about 95 acres in Section 19-42-37 and Section 24-42-36, for garbage disposal, future sewage treatment plant, and other municipal facilities. City Attorney Ralph Johnson and J. E. Thompson of Pahokee explained the city's needs for space for municipal improvements. The Director suggested that only a 55-acre parcel be granted, since the land was some of the most valuable in the state for agricultural use.

By Resolution adopted June 4, 1960, Everglades Farm Bureau requested sale of the area in units of 80 acres or less, with more favorable terms for payment, on behalf of many small farmers desiring to purchase parcels. The Director pointed out that multiple ownerships created problems of access roads and water control, and would necessitate formation of a drainage district or incorporation into a neighboring district or installation of pumping systems, otherwise the area would flood upon removal of the facilities of Richlands, Inc., which had operated as a unit for the whole lease acreage.

Also, Mr. Larson and Mr. Johnston advised that telegram from the Mayor, City of Belle Glade, requested 300 acres for public purposes. Since the Director had no information on this, the Trustees asked Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Ralph McLane, Assistant Attorney General, to secure details concerning the site and needs of the city and report to the Board at a later date.

Recommendations of the Director as to the various requests and the remainder of the Pelican Bay lands were as follows:

1. That 195 acres, more or less, sought by Palm Beach County, be withdrawn from the public sale and held for future necessary public purposes including county expansion of airport and agricultural and industrial facilities, subject to possible leasing by Trustees until so needed, the leases to be subject to 12-month cancellation notice.
2. That the portion of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 19-42-37 included in the Pelican Bay tract, 55 acres, more or less, be dedicated for municipal purposes under supervision and control of City of Pahokee, subject to conditions requiring the city to dike or control water by construction or installations of adequate equipment approved by the Trustees' staff.
3. That the Trustees consider whether the 40 acres, more or less, in Section 24-42-36, sought by City of Pahokee should be withheld from sale, held for future commitment or sale, or included in the dedication mentioned in "2".

4. That the 75-acre triangular parcel south of airport, west of State Road 717, be held for commitment to the County for airport extension subject, however, to easement 130 feet each side of centerline of Canal "A" for the purchasers of the Pelican Bay tract at public sale.
5. That the remainder of Pelican Bay tract, approximately 2,700 acres, be offered for competitive sale on base bids of not less than \$453.00 per acre in separate tracts to be laid out by Trustees' staff, and subject to offering collectively after separate bidding, with reservation of easements on the tracts sold as may be necessary to provide access to all tracts for which sale is confirmed.
6. That the purchasers be required to furnish survey by a registered land surveyor with legal description and computation of acreage for each sale, for contract or deed.
7. That the established requirement of 1/4 cash on execution of contract and balance in 9 semi-annual installments be allowed.

The Trustees' attention was called to problem of a possible drainage district after removal of drainage facilities of Richlands, Inc., for water control of small tracts if sold separately under contracts, since title would remain in Trustees until paid up.

In the discussion that followed, the Board stated that the requests for portions of the land for public purposes appeared worthy, but should be investigated carefully and balanced with private needs before sale of the 2,965 acres; that the matter should be brought back to the Board before advertising for competitive bids on that part to be sold; that competitive bids would be taken for separate tracts in order to give small farmers opportunity to bid but that no change in the usual policy as to payment could be allowed, and that current lessee would be given 90 days to take off removable improvements, as shown in minutes of May 31.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees (1) approved withholding from sale for Palm Beach County the 195 acres for the requested purposes subject to leasing by Trustees until needed by the county, with 12-month cancellation notice; (2) approved dedication to the City of Pahokee, for municipal purposes, of the 55 acres, more or less, in Section 19, Township 42 South, Range 37 East, as recommended by the Director; (3) approved withholding from the sale the 40 acres, more or less, in Section 24, Township 42 South, Range 36 East, included in the City of Pahokee's resolution, subject to leasing by Trustees with 12-month cancellation notice, until such time that a showing of need by the city merits further consideration by the Board of possible commitment of the 40 acres, also, to City of Pahokee; (4) approved that the 75-acre triangular parcel be held for commitment to Palm Beach County for airport expansion as agreed on March 29th, subject however to easement as recommended by the Director above; (5) directed that the remainder of the Pelican Bay tract (with possible exception of a parcel to the City of Belle Glade which would be investigated by the Director and Mr. McLane as explained above) should be offered for competitive sale as suggested by Director in recommendation numbered "5" above; and that purchasers be required to furnish survey by registered land surveyor, and make payment of one-fourth cash and balance in nine semi-annual installments, the usual terms for contract purchases.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 133-52-253.12. On May 27, 1958, the Trustees deferred action on sale to Robert Leach, Jr., abutting upland owner represented by Casler and Douglas, who had offered the then appraised price of \$200.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the vicinity and northwest of Bay Pines, lying southwest of Lot 23, Pinellas Groves Subdivision, 6.0 acres, more or less, in Section 33, Township 30 South, Range 15 East. Pinellas County Water & Navigation Control Authority had approved sale and



bulkhead line for the parcel, and advertised the parcel, however the Trustees deferred approval pending establishment by the County of an over-all bulkhead line.

On January 26, 1960 the Trustees approved extensive segments of the County-wide Bulkhead Line established by Pinellas County, including the area of Mr. Leach's application. New appraisal of \$500.00 per acre was secured, and confirmation of sale was recommended.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to Mr. Leach on the basis of the current appraisal, \$500.00 per acre.

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#### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: File No. 656-13-253.12. Application was presented from P.L.G. Corporation, abutting upland owner, represented by Padgett, Teasley & Niles, for purchase of 0.73 of an acre of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 18, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, lying east of Lots 32, 33, 34, 35 of Plat of Acadia, in the City of Miami, within the established bulkhead line, for which the appraised price of \$1,875.00 per acre was offered.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized the parcel advertised for objections only.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

BREVARD COUNTY: The Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, by Resolution adopted on April 21, 1960, established a bulkhead line for Picnic Island in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, shown on page 92 of the county bulkhead maps which showed bulkhead lines previously fixed by the county and approved by the Trustees. The county set a bulkhead line for Picnic Island "one foot offshore with the provision that a connecting bridge of an approved type and sufficient height to permit normal boat traffic clearance be recommended and approved".

Inasmuch as the island appeared to be mainly mangrove and with no normal high water line, the staff advised the Board that "one foot offshore" must be construed to be one foot from the line of mangrove at open water, indefinite except in terms of the cited map. The Director recommended that the line be approved without reference to the indefinite bridge provision, which should be dealt with by easement or permit when location and design were available for consideration.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line for Picnic Island one foot offshore, as established by the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County in Resolution of April 21, 1960.

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COLLIER COUNTY: The Director recommended for approval the bulkhead line established by Resolution No. 782 adopted on November 12, 1959 by the City Council of the City of Naples in accordance with provisions of Chapter 253.122, Florida Statutes of 1957. The bulkhead line located in Naples Bay was described as follows:

From the point of intersection of a line parallel with and 5 feet West of the East line of 8th Street with a line parallel with and 15 feet North of an Easterly prolongation of the South line of 13th Avenue South, according to a plat or plan of the Town of Naples as recorded in Plat Book 1 at page 8 of the Public Records of Collier County, Florida, run east on the said line, parallel with and 15 feet North of the said Easterly prolongation, for 465 feet to a point of

termination. The said point of termination being the South end of a bulkhead line fixed by City of Naples Resolution No. 674.

Upon motion, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by the City of Naples for a portion of Naples Bay as described in Resolution No. 782 adopted by the City Council.

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**MANATEE COUNTY:** On April 5, 1960, the Trustees directed that Assistant Attorney General Ralph M. McLane hold a public hearing and report to the Board on approximately 45 miles of bulkhead lines fixed by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County on July 6, 1959, for the entire county except within municipalities. Mr. McLane filed with the Board a report dated May 24, 1960, concerning the hearing conducted on April 21 in the Capitol, in which he reviewed statements made by proponents and opponents of the County Commissioners' bulkhead line and explained briefly how and where the lines were fixed. Due to the highly controversial line, the need for balancing of private rights and public rights in the affected submerged areas, and specific problems in several places, the report recommended rejection of the bulkhead lines for further study and possible reconciling of local differences.

Mr. McLane desired to make one change in a statement made in his report, stating that Trustees had on occasion approved portions of bulkhead lines presented, withholding approval on controversial or undesirable sections.

The Director presented staff comments and recommendations, finding that the lines presented by the county were practical for a rational development and expansion without undue sacrifice of natural resources, and recommended approval with the exception of the Sagamore Estates - Sunny Shores unit. The lines did not involve erosion problem areas and report from Coastal Engineering Laboratory was not considered necessary; however, the large aerial photographs upon which the bulkhead lines were projected by the county had all been reviewed in close detail with a representative of the Laboratory and no objections were raised.

Presentation on behalf of a bulkhead line proposed by the Manatee County Planning & Zoning Commission and against the bulkhead line set by the County Commission, was made by Wayne Mead, former Zoning Director. He emphasized the study and preparation by the Zoning Commission before fixing its line, the great public protest to the Commission's line and changes in Manatee County officials by the voters in the elections just past, and that the public interest was better served by the more conservative line proposed by the Zoning Commission. He suggested approval of those portions of the bulkhead line before the Trustees where there were no objections.

The Trustees felt that the controversial nature of the bulkhead line indicated that it should be referred back to the Board of County Commissioners for review and possible revision, and suggested that Mr. Mead and his group try to work cooperatively with the County Commissioners.

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Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved those portions of the bulkhead line to which no objections were filed, the Director and Mr. McLane to work out details, and the Trustees directed that the remainder of the bulkhead line be returned to Manatee County with the request from the Trustees that the Board of County Commissioners review areas in dispute, try to reconcile differences, and resubmit to the Board with recommendation.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY:** On March 8, 1960, the Trustees considered bulkhead lines in Boca Ciega Bay established on May 15, 1959, by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority at the request of the City of St. Petersburg, for the areas lying between 40th Avenue North and 7th Avenue South, being the first segment

of the city bulkhead line. Action was postponed for thirty days to allow an objector, Leonard L. Minthorne represented by Ben F. Overton, to take the matter up with the County Authority.

On April 28, 1960, the County Authority denied the objector's request for rehearing, and the Trustees were asked to approve the lines as established.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead lines established by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority on May 15, 1959, which was the first segment of the bulkhead line for the City of St. Petersburg.

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#### LEASES

GLADES COUNTY: Padgett and Sons, holder of Grazing Lease No. 712, applied for extension of the lease effective on the expiration date, May 11, 1960. The leased area, 161 acres of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom land, was adjacent to lessee's property, and rental of \$1.00 per acre per year was in line with grazing leases of similar areas.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized five-year extension of the lease with same terms and conditions, including thirty day cancellation clause.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Mrs. Katherin M. Waggaman, holder of Grazing Lease No. 531-A expiring on July 9, 1961, applied for three-year extension on same terms. The Director stated that the 1,415.08 acres in Township 35 South, Range 31 East, was subject to flooding and the rental rate of \$2,122.62 per year was considered adequate, being more than the average rate. He recalled that in 1957, by reason of objection from parties interested in leasing that area, competitive bidding was held on the lease, which was granted to Mrs. Waggaman, the lessee in good standing at the time.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of new three-year lease to Mrs. Waggaman at the same rental, effective on termination of current lease, new lease to contain 180-day cancellation clause.

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OKALOOSA COUNTY: State Oil and Gas Lease No. 833. On May 31 the Trustees were advised of a proposed pool agreement whereunder Commonwealth Oil Company, represented by J. L. McCord, holder of state oil and gas lease covering sovereignty lands, proposed to drill a 3,500-foot depth well for Florida Hot Mineral Springs, Inc., on a 9-acre parcel of upland held by Okaloosa Island Authority and adjacent to the submerged land in Lease No. 833, and the 9-acre upland would be pooled with 31 acres of the leased state sovereignty land as a 40-acre drilling unit.

The state lease provided for pooling agreements with royalty on ratio of pooled areas; however, Commonwealth offered the full one-eighth royalty from the proposed well to the Trustees and asked that the footage so drilled be applied as satisfaction of the drilling obligation for the well to be commenced on or before June 30, 1960, under the lease and extension of time granted by the Trustees on January 12, 1960.

On October 6, 1959, Commonwealth was granted the same suspension of drilling obligation as to the leased area in Tidelands litigation that had been granted other lessees, and computation of footage requirement for the 2½ year period expiring January 12, 1960, was reported (and approved on January 26) as abated to the extent of 2,511 feet, with footage to be drilled for said 2½ year period of 3,489 feet. Extension of time to June 30, 1960, for drilling of well to fulfill the obligation for the 2½ year period ending January 12, 1960, was granted on January 12. Abatement



would terminate 90 days after decision in the Tidelands litigation, which decision was reported to the Trustees by the Attorney General on May 31, 1960.

Meanwhile, on March 22, 1960, Commonwealth requested modification of the lease to be effective after December 6, 1961, for each well to be drilled to at least 10,000 feet instead of 6,000 feet, to secure 2½ year extensions after expiration of the 10-year primary term ending December 6, 1961. Approval was given subject to study of the matter and concurrence by Assistant Attorney General Ralph M. McLane. The modification would perpetuate the lease by drilling wells beyond the date the lease provided for termination in absence of production, and concurrence had not been filed with Trustees.

Lease provided for drilling of test wells only "to discover said land for production of oil and gas", and that all wells be drilled to 6,000 feet in accordance with the Statute, unless production is accomplished at lesser depth. The Trustees' staff could not construe the proposed well to 3,500 feet as satisfying the statutory requirement nor constituting an oil test well, since 3,500-foot depth well offered no reasonable prospect of oil or gas, but rather of hot water for the mineral spring firm, and possibly some geological data, and pooling would be of advantage to the state only in event of oil discovery.

The Director summarized the issue as a conflict between lease requirements consistent with Statute requiring drilling to 6,000 feet, and a moral obligation to accept a 3,500-foot water well as satisfaction of unabated footage and requirement of a legitimate oil test well. The proposed 3,500-foot well was offered as compliance with requirement under Lease 833 that drilling of a well be commenced June 6, 1959 - for which two extensions in time had been granted heretofore. The Director and Mr. McLane concurred in finding that the well, now required to be commenced on or before June 30, 1960, must be drilled to a depth not less than 6,000 feet in order to continue the lease beyond that date.

It was reported that the Board of Conservation on this date authorized public notice, and public hearing on June 14, on this matter.

Mr. McCord agreed to drill to 6,000 feet in compliance with the lease and statute, and he and Mr. Dana Richardson stated that certainly the company would be able to commence drilling within 90 days from May 31, 1960, unless serious obstacles arose, possibly as result of the public hearing.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees reaffirmed that abatement granted on October 6, 1959, would terminate 90 days after date of the Supreme Court's ruling in the Tidelands Case, May 31, 1960, declined to accept drilling at lesser depth than the statutory requirement of 6,000 feet as in Lease No. 833, such drilling to commence within 90 days after May 31, 1960, and approved the proposed well location in accordance with lease provision for pooling with leased sovereignty land as a 40-acre drilling unit subject to recommendation of the State Board of Conservation after the public hearing.

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: J. E. Lee, holder of Lease No. 1200 covering five acres of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom land abutting Taylor Creek applied for permit to construct an 8-foot dock along a portion of the west shore of the creek, subject to approval of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers which held easement covering the area. Extensive improvements had been made, and although the lease did not specifically provide for a dock, it was consistent with use of the leased area as a fishing camp.

Upon motion by Commissioner Lee Thompson, duly adopted, the Trustees granted dock permit without charge to the lessee.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

BREVARD COUNTY: General Development Corporation submitted plans of a pier consisting of deck on piling, with boat slips, which had been constructed without knowledge of requirement of State Permit. In connection with the pier, a narrow fill was made along the shore in Turkey Creek, adjacent to the firm's upland in Section 24, Township 28 South, Range 37 East, and the facilities were part of public recreation area to be maintained by the firm for two years and then turned over to the local governing body.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the pier facility in its present state, without charge, conditioned on its being maintained as part of a public recreation area.

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DUVAL COUNTY: The S. S. Jacobs Company, for a client, applied for permission to dredge 150,000 cubic yards of fill material from the Ortega River at Jacksonville, Florida, to use for improving the client's uplands, subject to permit from the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of permit for the fill material at the usual rate, \$3,100.00 for the amount requested.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY: Wauregan Boat Club applied for state permit, subject to approval by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, to construct a 20-foot addition to an existing dock extending into Sebastian River from the end of Manatee Avenue, at Roseland, Florida. The river bottom, being within the Fleming Grant, was not state-owned sovereignty land, and the dock was within the extension of a dedicated street, but the Director advised that R. L. Cammack had filed objection with the Trustees to the extension and the cars being parked there.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees granted state permit without requirement of the usual \$100.00 fee for commercial and public dock permits.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 680-64-253.129. Calvin W. Davis and wife, represented by Kinsey, Vincent & Pyle, made application for disclaimer under Section 253.129 Florida Statutes, of a parcel of land in Section 27, Township 15 South, Range 33 East, 0.25 of an acre, which was filled prior to May 29, 1951.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer as requested, for \$10.00 charge.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Trustees' Funds for House of Representatives Improvements. (Joint action by Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund.)

Honorable William V. Chappell, Jr., Speaker Designate, 1961 House of Representatives, appeared before the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, sitting also as a Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, and read a resolution adopted by the House Caucus in Pensacola last weekend relating to request that the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund make available sufficient monies for certain repairs and improvements for the House of Representatives. Mr. Chappell concluded by stating favorable consideration on this request would be appreciated.

General Ervin stated he felt that some questions should first be cleared up, such as: Has the House investigated, and found it a certainty, that other progressive states provide office space for

members of the House and that it is an accepted procedure? Mr. Chappell replied, "Yes, that is true".

General Ervin also inquired if it has been found that it has been the practice to provide outlays of this kind to renovate offices for the Legislature or other similar projects from Trustees Internal Improvement Funds and Mr. Chappell advised that such is the case.

General Ervin also inquired if there is a means to avoid extensions of the amount of money required, since he recalls another instance in the renovation of the Senate where the cost exceeded the original estimate. Mr. Chappell replied they hope to get plans and specifications drawn and bids obtained so that they will stay within the estimated cost of between \$200,000.00 and \$300,000.00.

General Ervin then stated that since the House was planning to have offices across the street and offices in the Capitol and a bridge over Pensacola Street that he would like Mr. Chappell to elaborate further on this, also, the House arrangements with the lessor.

Mr. Chappell advised that at the Caucus the House passed two resolutions, (1) Trustees to pay for improvements for this building and whatever is necessary to connect it to the other building, (2) the House itself will enter into a lease agreement on its own with the owner of the building across Pensacola Street.

General Ervin then inquired if Mr. Chappell had any estimate how much the bridge might cost and Mr. Chappell replied it would cost approximately \$18,000.00.

Mr. Green asked if permission has been obtained from the city to build the bridge across Pensacola Street and Mr. Chappell said both the city and the State Road Department have given permission for the project.

General Ervin inquired if arrangements have been made to provide for the press in keeping with tradition and precedent that they be provided for and have access to legislative chambers. Mr. Chappell said they are working with the president of that group now, that the plans contemplate the facilities inside the chamber will be much improved and they are also trying to provide adequate space for their usual duties.

Treasurer Larson then moved that the resolution be approved but Mr. Durden advised that the Governor requested that no action be taken to commit funds other than the renovation of the Capitol itself.

General Ervin stated he got the impression from the Governor that he doubted the wisdom of connecting the buildings, but so far as the Cabinet is concerned, they could decide for themselves.

Mr. Durden stated that the Governor hoped the Cabinet would not take any action on construction of overpass or anything, other than renovation of the Capitol itself.

General Ervin then suggested that the members go ahead and approve the request as called for asking the Trustees to make sufficient monies available. Treasurer Larson then stated if there is some misunderstanding about the overpass, the Cabinet could eliminate that and go ahead with the rest of it. General Ervin said he felt it should be adopted regardless; that if the Governor wants to bring it up at a subsequent time, he can, but for now, adopt en toto the request of the Legislature. Mr. Bailey then stated he didn't see anything about a bridge in the resolution. Mr. Ervin urged again that the resolution be adopted so that the House can proceed as outlined in the resolution. He added that if the Governor wishes to discuss it further at a subsequent meeting, all right, but by that time there will be a better understanding from the design what the bridge will entail; and it may be that the Governor won't bring it up.



Mr. Chappell stated that the resolution was broken into three parts because of the Governor's interest in a particular phase of it and the idea being that it would be obvious at the proper time that if the House leases the space it intends to, it wouldn't be worth a dime to them and it would be ridiculous without the bridge. The lease is one thing; the bridge another, simply asking to give the House what is necessary to be properly equipped.

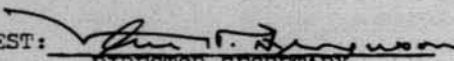
Mr. Bailey then stated that out of deference to the Governor he would not approve the bridge, that he would vote for entire resolution without the bridge. Mr. Chappell said that with the Cabinet's approval they want to go ahead with the plans.

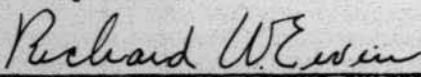
It was then decided that Mr. Larson's motion approving the resolution be accepted. All members concurred.

The above action was taken as a joint action of Board of Commissioners and Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 14, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture -
		concurred in all action at
		a later time.

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meetings on May 10 and May 31, 1960.

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LAND SALES

COLLIER COUNTY: File No. 651-11-253.12. On April 19 the Trustees considered application by Julius Fleischmann, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Naples Bay in Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, City of Naples, containing 1.4 acres, more or less, appraised at \$600.00 per acre. The parcel was advertised in the Collier County News, Naples, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Due to protest filed by James H. Cothern on behalf of client, Richard A. Robinson, the Director recommended deferment for possible agreement of applicant and objector to a satisfactory cut-back. Representing Mr. Robinson, Jay L. Hall was present and stated that a compromise appeared possible.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action for the parties to reach an agreement, with the understanding that the Board was not requiring any compromise or making any commitment to sell in any case.

DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 628-16-253.12. On May 3 the Trustees considered offer of \$100.00 from the Baptist Memorial Hospital, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in St. Johns River in unsurveyed Section 23, Township 2 South, Range 26 East, containing 1.4644 acres, more or less, in the City of Jacksonville within the established bulkhead line. Appraiser reported a value of \$62,600.00 for the parcel, but the Trustees agreed to consider adjustment in price with a restriction in the deed for hospital purposes only. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Times Union, Jacksonville, Florida, proof of publication filed in the Trustees Office, and no objections to the sale were received.

B. S. Reid, a private business man serving as president of the Hospital Trustees and one of a non-denominational group which raised the funds for purchase of the hospital site, stated that the parcel was needed for nurses' training school facilities in connection with the hospital, that deed with restriction for hospital purposes would be perfectly acceptable, and he urged reduction in price from the appraisal which they considered very high.

Governor Collins stated that in other cases the Trustees had allowed payment of nominal consideration for hospital purposes, subject to use restriction in the deed, and he was agreeable to similar nominal cost basis for this sale. The Director was asked to check the records of sales to Mt. Sinai Hospital in Dade County and Cape Canaveral Hospital in Brevard County and to set a comparable price for the Baptist Hospital.

Without objection, the Trustees confirmed sale of the advertised parcel to the Baptist Memorial Hospital for nominal consideration, deed to contain restrictive clause for hospital uses only, with reversion provision.

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LEE COUNTY: File No. 622-36-253.12. On April 19 the Trustees considered application by Orangewood, Inc., abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Caloosahatchee River in Section 3, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, 0.28 of an acre within the established bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised in the Fort Myers News-Press, proof of publication filed with the Trustees,

The Director advised that objections filed to the proposed sale had been withdrawn when applicant agreed to curve the north end of a seawall, and he recommended confirmation of sale.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel to Orangewood, Inc., for \$100.00 minimum.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 615-44-253.12. On April 26 the Trustees considered offer of \$300.00 per acre, the established price, for a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 28, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Little Torch Key, 0.8 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed in the Trustees office, and no objections were received. The State Road Department, notified of the proposed sale, waived objection.

Governor Collins said that the proposed extension did not look good on the map, but it was noted that previous conveyances created an uneven shore line which the staff was trying to adjust by holding to an intermediate extension in current sales. Monroe County, exempt from provisions of the Bulkhead Act, was furnished with copy of notice of all submerged land sales and appeared interested in some form of regulations by the county of sale or fill permits.

Without objection, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Frances Colwell, applicant, at price offered.

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 630-44-253.12. On April 19 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Robert E. Marsh, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 14, Township 64 South, Range 36 East, Lower Matecumbe Key, containing 0.47 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in The Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed in the Trustees office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Without objection, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel of submerged land to Mr. Marsh at the price offered.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 503-50-253.12. On May 3 the Trustees considered offer from Owen H. Kenan, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 34, Township 44 South, Range 43 East, 7.346 acres, more or less, in City of Lake Worth within the established bulkhead line, appraised at \$1,925.00 per acre. The parcel was advertised in the Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees Office.

Objection was filed by Simon King on the ground that the proposed sale might interfere with his private use of the waterfront. Applicant's engineer, Brockway, Weber & Brockway, wrote that sale was sought not to fill the submerged land but to protect and preserve applicant's property. The Director stated that the bulkhead line and sales of submerged land contemplated filling, however the objection was not considered sound as other sales to the bulkhead line had been made to the north of the application parcel.

Governor Collins suggested that Trustees offer to sell the parcel to Mr. Kenan at appraised price, with restriction in the deed to prohibit filling without written consent from the Trustees, and if applicant accepted sale on that basis, then the objector be so informed.

Without objection, the Trustees agreed to confirm sale of the submerged parcel to the applicant at the appraised price, on the terms suggested by the Governor, deed to contain restriction against filling without written approval by the Board.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 649-50-253.12. On May 3 the Trustees considered application from Edna Duncan, abutting upland owner, for purchase of a tract of submerged land in Lake Worth in Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 43 East, 0.403 of an acre, within the established bulkhead line of the City of West Palm Beach, for which the adjusted, appraised price was \$862.00 per acre. The parcel was advertised for objections only in the Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees Office.

P. M. Snyder, Jr., protested that construction of a building on the parcel would block his view or the lake breezes, which also was the objection from Robert F. Cromwell for his clients. Applicant's engineer, Brockway, Weber & Brockway, informed the Trustees that objection apparently should be made not to sale of the land, but rather to the city zoning board as to the type of construction to be permitted, and it was noted on the map submitted that the adjacent parcel to the south had been conveyed out to the bulkhead line.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred action for 30 days to allow parties to work out objections, if possible.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 667-52-253.12. Wimp, Inc., abutting upland owner, represented by Finch, Mosley & Ware, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land adjacent to the City of



Dunedin Marina, 2.17 acres, more or less, in Section 27, Township 28 South, Range 15 East, St. Joseph's Sound, within the established bulkhead line. The application was approved and advertised by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority, and transcript of the Authority's hearing showed no objections filed and that the City of Dunedin was in favor of the sale.

The Trustees' minutes of October 27 and December 8, 1959, and April 12, 1960, reported details of a conveyance to the City of Dunedin for municipal marina and explained that the city marina developers desired to dispose of spoil material from the boat basin by depositing on the submerged land adjacent to the company's upland - the 2.17 acres in this application. The Trustees examined the map, noted that the company owned upland on both sides of Victoria Drive, and were informed that the proposed sale was mutually advantageous to city and company.

The appraised value of \$5,000.00 per acre was considered high by Wimp, Inc., and Messrs. Wallace and Mosley asked for deferment and opportunity to secure another appraisal for consideration by the Trustees.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action to allow the applicant opportunity to submit evidence to substantiate the request for price reduction.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 609-58-253.12. On April 19 the Trustees considered request from the City of Venice for conveyance for municipal facilities of a parcel of submerged land in Roberts Bay in Section 12, Township 39 South, Range 18 East, 1.5 acres within the city bulkhead line. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Condolier, Venice, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office.

George W. Higel protested that filling at the proposed sale location would impede navigation in a long-used channel. The maps and an aerial photograph were examined, and in view of an extension already in place, the proposed work did not appear undesirable, since it was felt that the city would not allow damage to navigation at the site of municipal docks.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees overruled objection and approved conveyance of the parcel without charge to the City of Venice, deed to contain restrictive clause for public purposes only.

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SARASOTA COUNTY: File No. 645-58-253.12. On April 26 the Trustees considered offer of the appraised price of \$500.00 from Grace S. Stoddard, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of sovereignty land in Sarasota Bay in Section 13, Township 36 South, Range 17 East, City of Sarasota, containing 0.44 of an acre within the established bulkhead line. The land was advertised in the Sarasota Herald, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' Office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to the applicant, at \$500.00 per acre.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 492-62-253.12. On April 26 the Trustees accepted report of a registered appraiser fixing price of \$10.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 7 East, and Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 7 East, 32.34 acres, within the established bulkhead line, applied for by Keaton Beach, Inc., upland riparian owner. The parcel was advertised in the News-Herald, Perry, Florida, and proof of publication was filed with the Trustees.

The Director recommended deferment for adjustment of the boundaries which, it was anticipated, would clear objections filed by J. V. Martin and Senator W. Turner Davis, on behalf of himself and other property owners.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees deferred action for two weeks, to allow interested parties to work out adjustment of the boundaries.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

DADE COUNTY: File No. 632-13-253.12. Christian Wittkow, abutting upland owner represented by Biscayne Engineering Company, offered the appraised price of \$1,280.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 22, Township 54 South, Range 41 East, 3.46 acres within the City of Miami bulkhead line.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 674-44-253.12. The Lida Corporation, abutting upland owner represented by Brooks W. Bateman, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 12, Township 66 South, Range 32 East, 4.5 acres at Key Vaca.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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MONROE COUNTY: Trustees' Policy. Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County adopted on June 7 cited the intention of that Board that mangrove islands and submerged areas in the county should be used to the best development of the county; that the Board realized the need for conservation; that large areas had become permanent refuges for wildlife; and that the county should review applications for sales of bay bottom lands before sale by the Trustees.

The Director presented certain recommendations for consideration of the Trustees in setting up policy and procedures with regard to sales of submerged lands in Monroe County.

The Trustees took no action on this date and ordered the matter brought back before the Board at a later date.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 681-44-253.12. On January 26 the Trustees gave preliminary consideration to application by J. Bruce Vining for competitive sale of 108.7 acres, more or less, of sovereignty mangrove land northerly of U. S. Highway No. 1 and west of Jewfish Creek, in Sections 25 and 26 of Township 60 South, Range 39 East, at Cross Key in Barnes Sound. The Trustees had agreed to consider favorably an application for competitive sale with starting offer of \$255.00 per acre, withholding from sale the portion within 500 feet of highway centerline, subject to approval by Trustees before filling, and subject to approval by U. S. Engineer and State Road Department of access easements from the highway.

The Director suggested that recommendation from Monroe County be requested, and that purchaser furnish survey for legal description and bear the \$50.00 application cost to cover advertising. He advised the Board that applicant stated that filling costs and problems would be much greater here than at Division Point, location of a recent sale, and offered \$150.00 per acre as starting bid.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for competitive bids and objections, with \$255.00 per acre base bid, sale to be subject to favorable recommendation from Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County.

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**MONROE COUNTY:** File No. 631-44-253.12. On March 29 Ralph E. Lewis, for himself and other riparian owners, presented preliminary plans for development of three parcels of Long Key Bight submerged land in Sections 34 and 35, Township 64 South, Range 35 East, Long Key, containing 59.21 acres which applicants desired to purchase for the established price of \$250.00 per acre. The Trustees directed that the proposed plan be referred to the Coastal Engineering Laboratory for preliminary feasibility review and report. On April 26 the Director advised that the Laboratory's report was favorable, formal application was filed, but the matter was deferred because of request from Upper Keys Conservation Council that "studies be made by recognized marine laboratories and their concurred recommendations used before any bay bottom sales, dredging and causeway construction be made from this date." Expression from the Board of County Commissioners was requested.

Resolution adopted on June 7, 1960 by Monroe County Commissioners recited that the application had been investigated and would not interfere with conservation of natural resources and/or wildlife; the Board approved the sale and recommended approval by the Trustees.

On this date, Mr. Lewis and Raymond A. Webb explained their plans to connect their upland properties at southeasterly tip of Long Key and adjacent to U. S. Highway No. 1, including provision for access to the southeasterly tip from the highway between the Bight and Channel Five, the three parcels to be separated by two channel openings 120 feet wide and 160 feet wide respectively, which channel applicants proposed to bridge, the submerged lands under the channel openings to remain unsold. Applicants proposed to include a flight strip on the fill between the public channels, with design oriented to prevailing winds. A third open canal 125 feet wide through the westerly end of applicants' upland would connect the Straits of Florida and Long Key Bight, with channel extensions for navigation and jetties at the Straits end of this open canal.

Construction details for causeway, bridge and waterway openings and clearances were filed with the Trustees. The plan was reviewed by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory and no adverse tidal effects from the proposed development were indicated.

Objections were received from Izaak Walton League, Florida Motel Association, Mrs. Jean M. Ryder, and Trustees office received copy of objection filed with the U. S. Engineer by U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, holder of about 140,000 acres of islands and submerged lands marginal to the lower Keys.

Representative Bernie C. Papy stated that Monroe County had provided extensive areas for conservation of natural resources, and needed development of more areas for residents and tourists. He urged approval of the Long Key application, pointing out that the plans were very desirable and there had been no objections from property owners.

The Governor examined the maps and agreed that the plan looked good, if there would be no unsightly commercializing next to the highway.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only.



PALM BEACH COUNTY: Pelican Bay Lands. On June 7 the Trustees modified the May 31 authorization for sale of the 2,965 acres in Lease No. 728, the Pelican Bay tract, withdrew approximately 195 acres for future needs of Palm Beach County for development adjacent to the county airport subject to right of Trustees to lease with 12-month cancellation clause, withdrew approximately 55 acres for dedication to the City of Pahokee, and agreed that the large tract be offered in parcels of 80 acres or less as might be practicable, with access easements to be worked out according to the sales, and also that the tract be offered as a whole.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees rescinded their action as to advertising the tract as a whole following taking of bids on small tracts, and authorized the advertisement for bids on small tracts only, directed Mr. Ferguson to take bids in the county on small parcels on basis of appraised price, \$453.00 per acre, the bids to be presented to the Board for consideration, and bidders to be required to show practical plan for taking care of drainage, as Trustees would not be responsible for drainage or damage from flooding; also, the Trustees directed that in case all bids were rejected, the tract then would be advertised for bids on the whole.

Request was made by Henry O. Earwood, for the Palm Beach County Board of Public Instruction, for use commitment of a parcel of about 60 acres at the southerly end of the large tract for vocational agriculture uses, including a Future Farmers of America project of the Belle Glade School. The Director recommended that applicant be required to furnish accurate survey and legal description, annual report as to use plans, and make arrangements for suitable access to the parcel and drainage.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized withholding, from the tract to be offered for sale, the parcel desired by the School Board, and approved commitment of the land to the Palm Beach County Board of Public Instruction for vocational agriculture uses, subject to the grantee furnishing survey and legal description, annual report and making arrangements for access and drainage.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Also in connection with the Pelican Bay tract, Mr. Ferguson advised the Trustees that requests had been received for lease of areas withdrawn from the proposed sale, being 195 acres, more or less, for future use by the county, and approximately 40 acres within the corporate limits of Pahokee. Under the withdrawal, these lands would be subject to lease, with 12-month cancellation notice.

The Trustees took no action, deferring the matter till a later date.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

MANATEE COUNTY: On June 7 the Trustees considered the Manatee County bulkhead lines and the report made by Assistant Attorney General McLane on the hearing conducted on April 21 in the Capitol, and action was to approve only those portions of the lines to which no objections had been filed and to refer the remaining portions of the line back to the county for review in the light of the objections, the Director and Mr. McLane to work out details.

The Director urged that the set of maps be examined by the Trustees before they were returned to the county, and the agenda set up by photograph number and description, the units for rejection and for approval.

Without objection, the Trustees deferred further consideration of the Manatee County bulkhead lines until a date when all members could be present.

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#### LEASES

COLLIER COUNTY: Humble Oil & Refining Company made application to the Trustees to advertise and receive bids for oil and gas lease covering the reserved interest in oil and gas in unsurveyed Section 31 of Township 49 South, Range 31 East, 640 acres.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for oil and gas lease of the land for competitive sealed bids as cash consideration.

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GLADES COUNTY: J. B. Hendry and Company, holder of grazing lease No. 719 which expired June 1st, requested five-year extension effective as of said expiration date. The Director recommended extension of the lease which covered 800 acres in Township 42 South, Ranges 31 and 32 East, at \$1.00 per acre per year, subject to 30-day cancellation clause.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized five-year extension of the lease as recommended by the Director.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BRADFORD COUNTY: Florida Board of Forestry requested joinder by the Trustees in deed of reconveyance, prepared by Attorney General's Office, of 6.66 acres in E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, to the original grantors, Foster Shi Smith and wife, the land being part of a tract of 9.2 acres donated for forestry towersite by a deed containing a reversion clause of record. A portion of the original tract was used for towersite and for wayside park, the parcel to be reconveyed being surplus and the original grantor having requested reconveyance.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the request of the Florida Board of Forestry and authorized joinder in the deed of reconveyance.

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 682-13-253.129. Kurtz, Reed, Sappenfield and Cooper, on behalf of (a) George C. Brosius and wife, and (b) M.G.B. Corporation, applied for two disclaimers under Section 253.129 covering two contiguous parcels of land in Section 7, Township 54 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, filled prior to June 11, 1957, effective date of the Bulkhead Act, parcel (a) containing 0.334 acre and parcel (b) containing 0.234 acre.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the disclaimers for a charge of \$10.00 each.

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HIGHLANDS COUNTY: Without objection, the Trustees approved issuance of fill permit at no charge to the Town of Lake Placid for the removal of 500 cubic yards of fill material from the bottoms of Lake June-in-Winter for the improvement of a beach in front of the municipally owned club house, the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission having previously approved taking of fill material from the bottoms of this lake.

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY: Clerk of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County requested authority to sell two contiguous parcels of land purchased by the Trustees from the State of Florida, being former Murphy Act lands, described as (1) 0.13 of an acre in the Southeast corner of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, Township 37 South, Range 35 East, and (2) 0.3 acre in the same aliquot fraction having one boundary common with the 0.13 acre parcel. The property was high, sandy, palmetto land at Okeechobee, one-half block from a paved road, and the Clerk considered it worth \$150.00 each parcel.

Murphy Act lands purchased by Trustees were generally sold only at Tallahassee by the State Land Office, exception being the sale of several Okeechobee lots through the Clerk at Okeechobee.

Without objection, the Trustees authorized the Clerk to hold sale with base bid of \$150.00 for each parcel at the County Court House door, but that advertisement and other procedures comply with the requirements for sale of public land, purchaser to pay all costs including publication of notice of sale for four consecutive weeks and that the Clerk be allowed \$10.00 per parcel for his services.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File No. 93-52-253.124. Without objection, the Trustees formally approved fill permit No. DF102 issued on June 3, 1960 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority to William S. Wightman, Trustee, to fill submerged bottoms previously purchased from the Trustees, located in Old Tampa Bay in a portion of Fractional Section 20, Township 29 South, Range 16 East.

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PINELLAS COUNTY: File Nos. 159 and 278-52-253.124. Without objection, the Trustees formally approved fill permit No. DF101 issued on June 3, 1960 by Pinellas County Water and Navigation Control Authority to William S. Wightman, to fill submerged bottoms previously purchased from the Trustees, located in Tampa Bay, Clearwater, Florida.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: J. Boyd DeLoach requested disclaimer as to any interest of the Trustees or the State of Florida under a tax sale of November 14, 1870 of the "undivided interest of Pablo Rosetti" in Section 37, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, a Spanish Grant, under which the Tax Collector issued deed to the State of Florida on December 20, 1870, and which the Commissioner of Lands and Immigration sold and conveyed for \$51.00 consideration to William Williams on March 27, 1882, in the name of the State of Florida. Question was raised as to the statutory authority in 1870 for the Commissioner to issue tax deeds, and the Director advised that the procedure appeared to comply with certain early statutes but the actual statutory framework of 1870 could not be reconstructed without a great deal of research.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer limited to the interest of the State derived under the tax sale, for handling charge of \$10.00.

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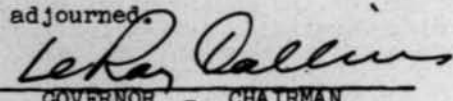
SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved Bidding Report No. 757 listing 3 regular bids for purchase of Murphy Act lands.

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 21, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office at the Capitol.

Present:	LeRoy Collins	Governor
	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	J. Edwin Larson	Treasurer
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson                      Director-Secretary

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Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting on June 7, 1960.

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DUVAL COUNTY: File No. 628-16-253.12. On June 14th the Trustees confirmed sale to the Baptist Memorial Hospital of 1.46 acres, more or less, of submerged land in the St. Johns River at Jacksonville, riparian to the hospital upland and within the established bulkhead line. The Trustees agreed to accept a nominal consideration in recognition of the quasi-public hospital use and the intended educational aspect of this application for nurses' training facilities, the deed to be made for hospital purposes only with reversion clause applicable in event of non-use or violation of the special use provision.

Mr. Ferguson recommended a price of \$246.00 for the land, being \$100.00 for appraisal expense and \$100.00 per acre for the submerged land, comparable to the price accepted in another sale to a hospital.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved \$246.00 as consideration for the conveyance to Baptist Memorial Hospital under provisions heretofore approved as to deed.

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COMMITMENTS OF STATE LANDS: A number of tracts owned by the state had been authorized for various educational and public uses by approvals shown only in the minutes of the State Board of Education and Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund. The Board was advised that the Florida Board of Forestry was actively interested in use commitments to Future Farmers of America and vocational agriculture groups using state land for forestry projects, and the Forestry Board had developed practical provisions to define clearly the use of the lands, disposition of any proceeds from forestry projects, and the guidance of that Board in such projects.

In order that orderly records could be maintained defining the areas committed and the scope of intended use, with any obligations on the part of the groups or agencies which were beneficiaries of such official commitments, Mr. Ferguson recommended that future commitments be evidenced by formal instruments executed by both the Trustees and the beneficiary with fully executed copy filed in the State Land Office.

Mr. Ferguson further recommended that the outstanding commitments be crystallized by formal agreements, as practicable, with the cooperation of the beneficiary groups, subject to approval of the provisions by the Board. Similar recommendations were approved by the State Board of Education on this date.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the issuance of formal instruments or agreements for outstanding commitments, where practicable, and for all future commitments of state lands for educational and public uses, as recommended by the Director.

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MONROE COUNTY: The Director presented for consideration the matter deferred from last week of Resolution adopted on June 7, 1960, by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County citing the intention of the County Board that mangrove islands and submerged areas in the county should be used to the best development of the county; that the County Board realized the need for conservation of sport fishing and wildlife and that over 400,000 acres of county land had been given permanently to refuge areas; that sales of bay bottom lands should be approved by the County Board before confirmation by the Trustees; that in the event the County Board felt that bay bottom sales, dredging permits and causeway construction might be detrimental to public welfare the County Board would require studies made by recognized marine laboratories and upon receipt of reports of such studies, recommendation would be made to the Trustees by the county.

Without objection, the Trustees approved the following recommendations of the Director as the action of the Board, with the understanding that in respect to any action required by law to be exercised by the Trustees, local action in respect thereto would be regarded as advisory only:

- (1) That the Trustees commend the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County for its active interest in assuring that the mangrove and submerged areas would be used for purposes to the best interest and development of the county, its future and welfare;
- (2) That the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers be advised of the intention of the Board of County Commissioners to evaluate sales, dredging and filling within the county so that notices by the Corps concerning pending applications of such types might be directed to the county for objections, if any, to be defined and filed in writing with the Corps in advance of the prescribed return dates set forth in such notices;
- (3) That the Board of County Commissioners be requested to furnish the Trustees with copy of such objections as are filed with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers concerning applications pending before the Corps;
- (4) That the Board of County Commissioners be requested to define and file in writing with the Trustees any objections to confirmation of any sale of submerged or tidal lands in the county advertised and pending before the Trustees, and that in event no objection is received from the County Board in advance of advertised sale date, that fact shall be construed as waiver of objections by the Board of County Commissioners;
- (5) That the Trustees' staff shall continue to direct copy of each Notice of Sale of submerged or tidal lands in the county, whether advertised for objections, competitive bids, or both, by certified or registered mail to the Board of County Commissioners simultaneously with release of such Notice to newspaper for publication in the county.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

MONROE COUNTY: File No. 655-44-253.12. Deferred from May 3rd and presented on this date was application from Samuel D. Fire, abutting upland owner, for two parcels of submerged land, parcel (1) in the Straits of Florida containing 42.0 acres, and parcel (2) in Cupon Bight containing 10.0 acres, both in Section 1 of Township 67 South, Range 29 East, on Big Pine Key, currently appraised at \$200.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Treasurer Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the two parcels, totaling 52.0 acres, for objections only.

PALM BEACH COUNTY: File No. 650-50-253.36. J. K. Davis Estates, upland owner represented by Thadd Whidden, made application for a parcel of reclaimed Lake Okeechobee bottom land in Section 11, Township 44 South, Range 36 East, containing 1.62 acres, more or less, for which the established price was \$400.00 per acre.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, seconded and adopted, the Trustees approved sale of the parcel at the established price, to the abutting upland owner without advertisement in the regular manner for sale of reclaimed lake bottom land, subject to needs of the State Road Department for rights of way, if any.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY: File No. 543-19-253.12. On November 17, 1959, the Trustees considered a bulkhead line established by the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County on November 16, 1959, in St. George Sound offshore from upland property of the First State Mortgage Company at Lanark Village, in Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 4 West, and said upland owners made application to purchase the submerged area extending a maximum of 1,700 feet offshore, 100 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line. The Trustees approved the bulkhead line and authorized advertisement for objections only, subject to offer of the appraised price.

The staff considered the appraiser's valuation of \$9.99 per acre low for submerged land adjacent to established development and highway, and recommended \$100.00 per acre as a fair value in the zone of development where there was an abundance of available fill material.

Governor Collins stated that while the Board had sought to encourage development in some cases in areas remote from any improvements, the price offered by applicant was entirely too low, and that possibly \$50.00 per acre could be considered.

David Gaskin and William J. Ryan, representing the applicant company, offered \$20.00 per acre and urged sale in view of the fact that officials of Franklin County and the City of Carrabelle favored the project, that it would be one of the first such developments in the area and represented considerable capital risk, that the engineer's detailed plans and application for fill permit would be subject to approval of the Trustees, and that the company would go along with the public beach and recreation area suggested by the Governor and tentatively indicated on the application map.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement for objections only based on \$20.00 per acre offer, and indicated that as a condition in event of sale the applicant would be expected to provide suitable area committed and maintained for public beach and recreation purposes as well as assurance as to completion time for the development project.

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#### BULKHEAD LINES

LEE COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of a conservative bulkhead line established in accordance with provisions of Section 253.122, Acts of 1957, by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County on March 9, 1960, on the east shore of the Caloosahatchee River in Section 20, Township 45 South, Range 24 East, offshore from riparian properties of the Town and River Estates, Inc.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees formally approved the bulkhead line established by Lee County and recommended by the Director.



MANATEE COUNTY: Bulkhead Lines. On June 7 the Trustees considered recommendation of Assistant Attorney General Ralph M. McLane for rejection of all bulkhead lines fixed and submitted in 1959 by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County. Mr. McLane modified the report to suggest that the Trustees could approve segments or units without rejecting all.

Wayne Mead and others spoke at the hearing on April 21, and on June 7 Mr. Mead spoke at length in behalf of lines proposed by Manatee County Planning and Zoning Commission, not accepted by the County Commission which under statutory authority and its discretion fixed and submitted other lines to the Trustees.

The action of the Trustees on June 7 was to approve lines to which no objections were filed, and to refer back to the County Commission the remainder of the lines for review and adjustment, if possible, to reconcile differences. Mr. McLane and the staff worked with the aerial photo sheets, of which one set only had been furnished by the county, and segregated the portions approved and those to be referred back to the county.

On this date, the staff reviewed its comments based on study of the county-submitted lines over a seven month period prior to the hearing, as follows: that with few exceptions the objectors were not riparian owners in directly affected zones, that some objectors wanted lines further offshore, that the percent of shallow waters in Manatee County was far greater than in most coastal counties and that fills contemplated by the county's lines would not convert any large percent of the shallows into land or deep water, that filling could not proceed without permit from the county and Trustees, that the lines conformed generally to shore and thick mangrove margins, that no erosion problem areas were involved, and that the Coastal Engineering Laboratory, on reviewing the lines, had suggested no changes or objections.

Mr. Ferguson displayed the set of aerial photos on which the lines were projected, and reaffirmed his recommendation for approval of all the lines except in the Sagamore Estates - Sunny Shores area where deferment was suggested.

Mr. Larson stated that he was satisfied that the county had fixed good lines which pleased the majority of the local citizens and while it was not possible to reconcile all protests, there were few objections to the way the Commissioners had handled the matter. He pointed out that the County Commissioners were present to support and urge approval of the lines.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and unanimously adopted by the members present, that bulkhead lines adopted July 6, 1959 by Manatee County Commissioners and recommended by the Trustees' Director be formally approved, which included all lines under consideration at this time with the exception of the Sagamore Estates - Sunny Shores line in Palma Sola Bay on which action was deferred.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

GULF COUNTY: Dock Permit. Walter W. Owens, represented by Cecil G. Costin, applied for state permit to construct commercial dock extending from his upland lot in Yon's Addition to Beacon Hill into the Gulf of Mexico. The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County in meeting on June 14 found no violation of statute, ordinance, zoning or law, nor cause for erosion or water damage, but that adjoining land would suffer material injury and monetary damage. Apparently to clear the county's finding, adjacent waterfront upland owners, T. S. Gibson and C. G. Costin, Jr., jointly executed and filed with the Trustees an affidavit dated June 16 approving and consenting to the dock construction.

E. H. Dickens, J. C. Arbogast, H. J. Brouillette, N. A. Sinclair and others presented verbal objections based on a perpetual easement to owners of lots in Yon's Addition to use the waterfront

adjacent to the Owens lot for access, boating, bathing, non-commercial fishing, which easement they construed to make the Yon's Addition lot owners actually riparian to the waterfront. As riparian owners, they objected to a commercial dock in the residential area as a traffic hazard, public nuisance, damaging to their view and bathing safety, and in addition they raised certain legal questions.

The Trustees were informed that the dock would attach only to the Owens private upland, specifically excepted in the easement.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees referred the application to the Attorney General for analysis of the legal considerations involved, assuring the interested parties that in the event the Attorney General holds that the Trustees have legal right to grant permit in their discretion, opportunity would be afforded objectors to be heard.

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**LAKE COUNTY:** The Director recommended issuance of state permit to William P. Owings of Tavares to construct a private dock and boat-house in Little Lake Harris, which was approved by Oklawaha Basin Recreation and Water Conservation and Control Authority.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of the private dock permit for the usual \$10.00 charge.

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**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY:** Hobart Brothers planned to develop their waterfront on Indian River between Wabasso and Winter Beach, including navigation channel to Intracoastal Waterway and purchase of fill material from the shallow immediately in front of the development for use on the upland. Estimate of total yardage could not yet be made, but applicants tendered certified check for \$1,000.00 to be held as security for monthly payments to be made based on yardage taken.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved sale of fill material for use on the upland on a month to month yardage settlement for material taken, the \$1,000.00 to be held without application to the sale until settlement was completed based on total yardage.

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**MANATEE COUNTY:** On April 1, 1959, the City of Bradenton, having entered into agreements with riparian owners, proposed extension of First Avenue West across submerged margins of the Manatee River by filling pursuant to provisions of Section 253.12(1), paragraph 2, Florida Statutes 1957, riverward from two privately owned parcels, and the Trustees approved recommendations for effectuating the proposed work by the city.

The city advised that filling was completed and the roadway under construction, and issuance of instruments conveying the filled land in pursuance of the agreements was in order. It was explained that upland owner of the Griggs property did not reserve riparian rights in her quitclaim deed to the city, but in the case of the Walton property, the present title holders, DeSoto Improvement Co., Inc., desired to retain fee simple title to the filled land, dedicating to the city the portion underlying the avenue.

Walter Hardin and Dewey Dye, Jr., representing the DeSoto Improvement Company, explained that the upland owner gave the city the right to fill with the understanding that the owner would have underlying fee title and riparian rights out to the water.

Motion was made by Mr. Larson, and duly adopted, that the matter be concluded in manner to vest City of Bradenton with such easement or title as required for municipal purposes, and that private owners be conveyed portion or interest not required exclusively for municipal purposes.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY: Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District requested perpetual dedication over submerged bottoms in Taylor Creek and the Indian River in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East, at Fort Pierce, for the extension of Canal C-25.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees granted the request of the District and authorized dedication of the area required for works of the District.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: Florida Inland Navigation District, on behalf of the United States, requested perpetual easement for a spoil area in the Indian River on the westerly side of Intracoastal Waterway, over bottom lands in Township 35 South of Range 40 East, Township 36 South of Ranges 40 and 41 East, and Township 37 South of Range 41 East.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees granted request of the District and approved perpetual easement covering the area described.

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CAPITOL CENTER: Trustees' Funds for House of Representatives Improvements. (Joint action by Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund.)

A delegation of Legislators appeared before the Board and again discussed the matter of developing better accommodations for members of the House of Representatives. After a thorough discussion, motion was made and adopted that the Cabinet sitting jointly as the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and as the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions reaffirm the action taken by it in said capacities at its regular meeting on June 7, 1960, relative to providing adequate accommodations for the House of Representatives in the State Capitol building and that the Cabinet's Committee on State Office Buildings composed of the Treasurer, the Comptroller, and the Attorney General, be designated to work with the appropriate House and Senate committee or committees in the development of the plans and specifications and carrying out the necessary construction.

It is understood that the House of Representatives through its appropriate committees will proceed independently in respect to the lease of privately owned office accommodations and that if such a plan is worked out, a majority of the Trustees and Board members will further support the construction of an over-the-street corridor connecting the privately owned property to the Capitol building. The Governor dissented from this latter commitment.

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#### SUBJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 18296

BREVARD COUNTY: Board of Public Instruction of Brevard County requested release of oil and mineral rights reserved in Brevard County Murphy Act Deed No. 1151 as to 12.6 acres proposed for location of a school building and playground.

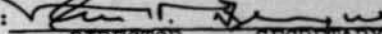
The Director recommended approval of release upon payment of \$22.00, based on the regular charge of \$10.00 for the first acre, plus \$1.00 for each additional or fractional acre thereafter.

Upon motion by Mr. Larson, duly adopted, the Trustees waived the usual regulation as to size limitation for such releases, and authorized release to the Brevard County Board of Public Instruction as to the 12.6 acre parcel, for charge of \$22.00.



Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

  
GOVERNOR - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:   
DIRECTOR - SECRETARY

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Tallahassee, Florida  
June 28, 1960

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund met on this date in the Board Room of the Governor's Office, at the Capitol.

Present:	Ray E. Green	Comptroller
	Richard W. Ervin	Attorney General
	Lee Thompson	Commissioner of Agriculture

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Van H. Ferguson      Director-Secretary

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the minutes of the meeting of June 14, 1960.

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SALES

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: Oil Lease. On March 8, 1960, the Trustees cancelled Leases 775 and 1049 and on the application of Perdido Land Company, the combined acreage, 12,044 acres, more or less, of Perdido Bay bottoms was authorized advertised for sealed bids for new oil and gas lease, well to be commenced within the first year. On May 24 the Trustees amended the action to provide that the first well, to be commenced in one year, should be completed within 18 months from date of the lease, such provision to have no effect on requirement of further wells within succeeding two and one-half year periods.

Public hearing was conducted at Pensacola after publication of notice as required by statute. The lease was advertised in The Tallahassee Democrat and The Pensacola Journal for sealed bids to be taken on this date, and copy of notices and proof of publication were filed in the Land Office.

The only offer received was \$1,502.02 as cash consideration including the first year's rental, net bonus bid of \$297.62, from Senator Phillip D. Beall, represented at the meeting by J. Velma Keen.

Motion was made, seconded and adopted, that the Trustees accept the offer of \$1,502.02 as cash consideration, and authorize issuance of lease in the usual form requiring royalty payments of one-eighth in kind or in value, plus ten cents per acre annual rental increasing five percent of such original amount annually after the first two years, and shall be for a primary term of ten years, and the provisions for commencing and completion of the first well shall be as heretofore approved (On May 24, 1960).

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DADE COUNTY: File No. 662-13-253.12. On May 17, 1960, the Trustees considered application of Nelle Y. Worrall et al, abutting upland owners, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Biscayne Bay in Section 30, Township 53 South, Range 42 East, City of Miami, containing 1.05 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line, appraised at \$2,890.00

per acre. The parcel was advertised in the Miami Herald, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' Office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to the applicant at the appraised price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 621-44-253.12. On May 10 the Trustees considered application of Middle Keys Development Corporation, abutting upland owner represented by Ralph E. Cunningham, Jr., for purchase of a parcel of bay bottom land in the Bay of Florida northwesterly of and adjacent to a part of Government Lot 1, Section 19, Township 65 South, Range 34 East, at Grassy Key, containing 3.6 acres, more or less, at the established price of \$300.00 per acre. The parcel was advertised for objections in the Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, and proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office.

Albert G. Hutter protested the alignment of the proposed extension which, however, was laid out at right angles to the shoreline in conformity with the Trustees' policy. The applicant had previously agreed to a cut-back in area at the suggestion of the staff, and Mr. Ferguson recommended that the objection be overruled.

Upon motion duly adopted, the objection was overruled and sale confirmed in favor of the applicant, at the established price of \$300.00 per acre.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 642-44-253.12. On May 10 the Trustees considered application from Robert C. Reynolde, the abutting upland owner, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Pine Channel in Section 34, Township 66 South, Range 29 East, Big Pine Key, containing 1.6 acres, more or less, at the established price of \$300.00 per acre. The parcel was advertised in the Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, Florida, proof of publication was filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of Mr. Reynolde at the established price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 663-44-253.12. On May 10 the Trustees considered offer of \$425.00 per acre, the established price, from Walter D. Kirtley and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 28, Township 63 South, Range 37 East, Upper Matecumbe Key, containing 0.25 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicants based on offer of the established price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 664-44-253.12. On May 10, the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$425.00 per acre from Stanley K. Dimock, abutting upland owner, for a parcel of submerged land in Tavernier Harbor in Section 34, Township 62 South, Range 38 East, Key Largo, containing 0.53 of an acre, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Key West Citizen, proof of publication filed with the Trustees, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicant, based on offer of the established price.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 665-44-253.12. On May 10 the Trustees considered offer of the established price of \$300.00 per acre from Karl H. Vickery and wife, abutting upland owners represented by G. A. Crawshaw, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 8, Township 63 South, Range 38 East, Plantation Key, containing 1.88 acres, more or less. The parcel was advertised in the Coral Tribune, Key West, Florida, proof of publication filed in the Trustees' office, and no objections to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale in favor of the applicants, at the established price.

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PASCO COUNTY: File No. 147-51-253.12. On May 17 the Trustees considered offer of \$175.00 per acre, the appraised price, from L. F. Fernald, abutting upland owner represented by J. Velma Keen, for purchase of a parcel of submerged land in Anclote Anchorage in unsurveyed Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 15 East, containing 36.9 acres, more or less, within the bulkhead line adopted by Pasco County and formally approved by the Trustees on May 17, 1960. The submerged area was advertised for objections only in the New Port Richey Press, proof of publication was filed with the Trustees, and no protests to the sale were received.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees confirmed sale of the parcel advertised to Mr. Fernald for the appraised price of \$175.00 per acre.

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TAYLOR COUNTY: File No. 492-62-253.12. On June 14 the Trustees deferred action for two weeks on sale of submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico applied for by Keaton Beach, Inc., upland riparian owner, to allow applicant and objectors to agree on a suggested cutback of the north boundary.

Carl R. Cooney, representing Keaton Beach, Inc., presented a map on which a suggested cutback was shown, however the objectors had not been contacted and it was not known whether protests would be withdrawn. Since the adjustment had not been worked out and agreed to by all interested parties, the Director suggested that a further cutback of the north boundary would be considered better by the staff and undoubtedly would be agreeable to the owners of the small lots who had filed objections to the alignment first planned by the applicant. The north boundary line indicated on the map by the Director was accepted by Mr. Cooney, subject to preparation of description by the developer's engineer.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the cutback as recommended by the Director, and accepted by Mr. Cooney, on behalf of Keaton Beach, Inc., and sale of the submerged land was confirmed subject to preparation of the adjusted description, provided objections to the sale were withdrawn, sale price being the \$10.00 per acre appraised price.

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#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: File No. 671-29-253.12. C. E. Mendez and wife, abutting upland owners represented by Macfarlane, Ferguson, Allison and Kelly, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 3 and 4 of Township 31 South, Range 19 East, 163.2 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line.



The Director explained that the parcel was in a zone planned for industrial development, and information was that only about one foot depth water was in the application area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the submerged land applied for by Mr. Mendez, for objections only.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: File No. 672-29-253.12. Tampa Electric Company, abutting upland owners represented by Macfarlane, Ferguson, Allison and Kelly, offered the appraised price of \$100.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in Tampa Bay in Sections 9 and 10, Township 31 South, Range 19 East, 268.46 acres, more or less, within the established bulkhead line.

Information was that the parcel was in a zone planned for industrial development, and water was only about one foot deep in the application area.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the submerged land applied for by the company, for objections only.

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MONROE COUNTY: File No. 683-44-253.12. Lucien G. Ragsdale, abutting upland owner represented by E. R. McCarthy, offered the established price of \$300.00 per acre for a parcel of submerged land in the Straits of Florida in Section 7, Township 65 South, Range 35 East, Long Key.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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VOLUSIA COUNTY: File No. 692-64-253.12. Anson B. Cutler, abutting upland owner, applied to purchase a parcel of submerged land in the Halifax River in Section 3 of Township 16 South, Range 33 East, City of Port Orange, containing 0.09 of an acre within the established bulkhead line, appraised at \$300.00 per acre, offering in this case the \$100.00 minimum.

Upon motion by Comptroller Green, duly adopted, the Trustees authorized advertisement of the parcel for objections only.

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JACKSON AND GADSDEN COUNTIES: Humble Oil and Refining Company made application to the Trustees to advertise for sealed competitive bids for oil and gas lease of a portion of the submerged bottom lands between the original U. S. meanders of Chattahoochee River and Apalachicola River in Township 3 North of Range 6 West, Township 4 North of Ranges 6 and 7 West, and Township 5 North of Range 7 West.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved advertisement for sealed bids for oil lease of the area requested.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

BROWARD COUNTY: Erosion Control Project participation was authorized by the Trustees on May 31, 1960, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 57-791, Acts of 1957 (Section 253.65 Florida Statutes). Provisions for formal agreement between the Trustees and the City of Pompano Beach were developed jointly by the office of the Attorney General, City Attorney, City Manager and Trustees' Director, to provide for the transfer of city funds to match the contribution by the Trustees, not to exceed 50% of total cost of the City of Pompano Beach Shore Erosion Project nor to exceed

\$38,500.00, and for disbursements for work done in accordance with specifications and contract.

Inasmuch as waterfront ownerships subject to levy of the city tax to provide city project funds were remnants of the ownerships which existed December 1947 and a purpose of the project was to reconstitute lands which formerly existed, the loss of which was not considered gradual and imperceptible, the city and those owners desired assurance that the Trustees would, upon completion of the project and upon proper showing by survey and description, issue disclaimer of the reconstituted area above normal high water and landward of the December 1947 normal high water line; that in the event any upland owner should furnish proof satisfactory to Trustees as to any recovered lands lying seaward of the December 1947 normal high water line as having been lands which receded by a process not gradual and imperceptible, such reconstituted land would be included in the survey, description and disclaimer.

The Director advised that the city had received bids and was awaiting confirmation of the above provision, and he recommended that the provision be included in the formal agreement and in a separate recordable instrument.

Attorney General Ervin stated that those waterfrontowners were entitled to the land recovered by this erosion project, and upon motion, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the provision as explained by the Director for inclusion in the formal agreement and in a separate recordable instrument, and directed that the city be so informed.

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COLLIER COUNTY: On behalf of the estate of Mrs. Helen Shotkin, request was made for extension to September 7 for the ninth payment of Contract No. 21196 which was due May 7 but the 60-day grace period was not expired. Extension was desired to allow executor to qualify in the State of Florida.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved extension as requested, with penalty charge of 1% per month.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: The Director recommended approval of assignment of undivided interest of Francis J. Corr and wife to Apollo Beach, Inc., under Contract No. 22236, which was in good standing. Assignee had executed acceptance of terms and obligations of the contract.

Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved the requested assignment under Contract No. 22236, as recommended by the Director.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Pelican Bay Lands. The Director advised that informal request had been made by Representative Emmett Roberts and Luther Jones on behalf of the City of Belle Glade for withdrawal from sale of 215 acres, more or less, extending across the southerly side of Pelican Bay tract currently advertised for parcel bids. No immediate use by the city was mentioned, explanation being made that request was made in anticipation of future municipal needs or industrial development for the area. The strip would be adjacent to State Road 717 and a tract committed on June 14 for use of Future Farmers of America project of the Belle Glade School.

The Director pointed out the necessity of drainage of the area, and that withdrawal from sale with title remaining in the Trustees, with possible lease subject to 12-month cancellation clause, might involve drainage problems and payment of drainage taxes on the land.

Attorney General Ervin suggested that the land be withheld from sale and, as recommended by the Director, that in the event of any subsequent grant the beneficiary be required to furnish survey

by registered land surveyor, with legal description, with Trustees being relieved of all obligation concerning drainage, flooding and participation in any drainage project, with privilege reserved to Trustees to lease until used for municipal or other public purpose.

In view of the value of the area for agriculture and other uses, and the fact that the city contemplated no immediate municipal use, the area being three miles from the city, Comptroller Green felt that the Trustees should make no commitment but rather withhold the land from sale at this time, possibly making it available for lease.

Without objection, the Trustees directed that the 215 acres be withheld from sale.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Green, duly adopted, the Trustees approved perpetual dedication requested by Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District over the submerged bottoms in Lake Worth in Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 43 East, lying easterly of the present right of way for the West Palm Beach Canal to the westerly right of way line of the Intracoastal Waterway.

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PINEILLAS COUNTY: Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of State Permit to the City of Madeira Beach, without requirement of bond, for construction of combination groin and jetty to extend into the Gulf of Mexico from the North Shore of Johns Pass, for erosion control in accordance with recommendation of the Coastal Engineering Laboratory.

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POLK COUNTY: Walter W. Manley applied for permission to dredge 2,000 cubic yards of material from the bottoms of Lakes Rochelle and Conine in Section 8, Township 28 South, Range 26 East, to improve his beach and upland in Government Lot 1 and part of Government Lot 2 in said Section 8. The Director advised that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission had approved the proposed work.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved issuance of permit to the applicant for charge of \$100.00, the cost of the material at the regular rate.

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY: On June 21 the Trustees approved a request from Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District for a perpetual dedication of the submerged bottoms in Taylor Creek in Section 3, Township 35 South, Range 40 East. It subsequently was determined that Taylor Creek was not a meandered and navigable stream as shown on the Government Survey Plat of said fractional Section 3, and that the section was patented directly out of the United States to individuals. Therefore, the District requested a disclaimer to the bottoms of Taylor Creek for the extension of Canal C-25.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees authorized issuance of disclaimer requested by the District covering the area required for the works of the District.

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COASTAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY: Trustees' Funds. On October 6 and 27, 1959, the Trustees considered and approved entering into contract with the University of Florida Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station for engineering services to be performed by the Coastal Engineering Laboratory on request of



Trustees for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1960, in the total sum of \$10,000.00, with provision for increasing the amount for additional reports when needed by the Trustees.

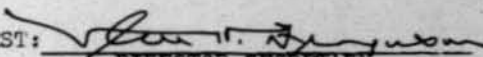
The Director stated that the current contract, expiring June 30, had been of great assistance in connection with applications for coastal structures and erosion matters, evaluation of bulkhead lines and proposed dredging and fill projects, and applications pending before the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers on which the Trustees' approval was sought.

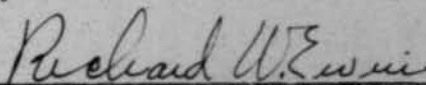
Proposed new contract for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961, for payment of \$10,000.00, was reviewed by the Attorney General's office and found in order.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees approved the contract and authorized payment for engineering services not to exceed the amount of \$10,000.00, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961.

Upon motion duly adopted, the Trustees adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
DIRECTOR-SECRETARY

  
ATTORNEY GENERAL-ACTING CHAIRMAN

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TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

JULY 1, 1958 TO JUNE 30, 1960

R E C E I P T S

Cash on Hand July 1, 1958		
Conversion of Bonds	\$	9,175.00
Land Sales:		
Cash Sales	\$549,612.55	
Payments on Contract Sales	<u>967,874.01</u>	1,517,486.56
Lease Rentals		874,153.62
Payments on Taxes Receivable		10,990.83
Payments on Loans		88,741.25
Reimbursement of Funds Advanced to Other State Agencies		234,902.54
Sale of Property		5,485.00
Interest Income		162,022.29
Miscellaneous Income		53,733.16
Warrants Cancelled and Restored to Account		45,018.00
Funds Held in Escrow		<u>7,800.00</u>
Total Receipts for the Period		

3,009,508.25

\$3,442,526.64

D I S B U R S E M E N T S

Furniture and Fixtures	\$	3,864.67
Acquisition of Bonds		499,968.93
Acquisition of Property in Capitol Center		737,709.02
Loans		208,000.00
Advances to Other State Agencies		230,608.58
Withdrawal of Funds in Escrow Account		7,800.00
Refunds		9,291.95
Operating Expenses:		
Salaries	\$180,720.91	
Expenses	<u>169,697.05</u>	350,417.96
Non-Operating Expenses:		
Transfers and Contributions		<u>918,940.65</u>
Total Disbursements for the Period		\$2,966,601.76
Cash on Hand June 30, 1960		475,924.88

\$3,442,526.64

TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
UNDER UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
COOPERATIVE ACCOUNT  
JULY 1, 1958 TO JUNE 30, 1960

RECEIPTS:

Contributions from Counties and Local Units	\$15,400.00
Contributions from Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund	<u>22,050.00</u>
	<u>\$37,450.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Cost of Work Performed by United States Geological Survey Engineers	<u>\$37,450.00</u>
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TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
UNDER CHAPTER 18296 ACTS OF 1937  
JULY 1, 1958 TO JUNE 30, 1960

RECEIPTS:

Cash Land Sales and Miscellaneous Receipts	<u>\$131,558.75</u>
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DISBURSEMENTS:

All Receipts Deposited to General Revenue Fund under Chapter 25068 Acts of 1949	<u>\$131,558.75</u>
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Dunedin, City of - Marina area sale	453,558
Dykes, Geo. M. - Monroe County sale	113
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Fullerton, Mary H. - Palm Beach County sale	443
Geier, Fred J. - Monroe County sale	32
George, Emile - Monroe County sale	281
Gerity, W. F. - Pinellas County sale	505
Gibson, T. S. - Gulf County sale	429
Giovannielli, Joseph - Monroe County land	142,172
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Givens, Val W. - Alachua County hardship case	380
Gluck, H. F. - Monroe County land	42,94
Goddard, Sina E. - Orange County hardship case	256
Goebel, E. A. - Monroe County	41,93
Grant, M. H. - Monroe County	64,113
Gray, Earl E. - Monroe County sale	337,414
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Grimaldi, Lipe - Monroe County sale	62
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Groner, Russell - Sarasota County sale	33-4
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Guise, Ernest H. - Monroe County sale	32
Haggars, H. W. - Monroe County sale	2,62
Hall, M. Lewis - Monroe County sale	293
Hall, Morris - Jefferson County hardship case	196
Hallman, Elverne - Silo Co., DeSoto County	21,80
Hamp, Geo. H. - Monroe County sale	64,113
Hamlin, Horace - Pinellas County sale	235-6
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Harmon, J. W. - Monroe County	64,113
Harris, Bertram M. - Monroe County sale	327
Harvison, Suzanne - Monroe County sale	354
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Havelka, Edward - Monroe County sale	123,150
Haverfield, W. Tracy - Dade County sale	290
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Hecker, C. H. - Monroe County sale	199
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Henderson, F. H. - Pinellas County sale	525
Hersberger, A. B. - Monroe County sale	354
Hewes, Lew - Monroe County sale	270
Hewes, C. F. - Monroe County sale	34
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Hines, Joseph J. - Monroe County sale	32
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Hokanson, Sven W. - Monroe County sale	31
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Holmes, John E. - Manatee County sale	228-9
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Hopkins, G. C., et al - St. Johns County sale	270
Hornung, A. C. - Monroe County sale	226
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Humphries, James T. - Pinellas County sale	429
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Kyle, Thomas C. - Monroe County sale	326
Lackey, Gordon - Indian River County sale	1,62
Lainhart, G. D. & D. C. - Palm Beach County sale	242
Lake, V. A. - Martin County sale	303
Lamb, Floyd - Monroe County sale	8,241
Larkins, John G. - Monroe County sale	33,53
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Laws, Barney W. - Pinellas County sale	430
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McGehee, F. S. - Duval County	141,171
McGowan, Thomas B. - Orange County land	18
McKay, Robert A. - Pinellas County sale	55,430
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McManigal, Hugh J. - Monroe County	535
McMullen, Chester B. - Pinellas County land	124
McMullen, Fred - Pinellas County land	94-5,274
McRae, John A. - Monroe County sale	30
Macksey, Thomas & Harry - Manatee County sale	406
Madco, Inc. - Monroe County sale	69,112
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Marshall, Catherine - Charlotte County sale	51
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Martino, L. C. - Pinellas County sale	433
Masters, B. W. - St. Johns County hardship case	400
Matney, Art - Monroe County sale	557
Maust, Geo. J. - St.Johns County hardship case	119
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Miami Herald Publishing Co. - Dade County sale	324,361
Michaels, Leon - Brevard County contract	95
Michaelson, John S. - Martin County sale	269
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Middle Keys Develop.Corp. - Monroe County sale	628
Milazzo, Anton J. - Martin County sale	441
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Olsen, Lawrence J. - Monroe County sale	31
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Pappas, Peter K. - Indian River County sale	1,61
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Parman, R. Lucille - Monroe County sale	402
Paylor, H. L. - Monroe County sale	257
Payne, R. S. - Monroe County sale	472
Pearlman's Inc. (Joe) - Monroe County	69,113
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Perry, Henry D. - Monroe County sale	42,94
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Purcell, E. M. - Citrus County sale	556
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Reeves, Donald A. - Okaloosa County hardship case	207
Reid, Alban H. - Monroe County sale	64,112,198-9
Reed, E. W. - Monroe County sale	270
Regelmann, W. C. - Palm Beach County sale	416
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Schulman, Norman - Monroe County sale	411,422
Schwab, Ayn D. - Indian River County sale	1,62
Schweitzer, Micheal - Monroe County sale	257,281
Scudder, W. M. (E.M.) - Monroe County sale	337,513
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Shockey, Madeline B. - Monroe County sale	127
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Sieber, Arthur E. - Monroe County sale	2,62
Siekman, Martha B. - Dade County sale	362
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Silver King Estates - Charlotte County sale	504
Simonsen, O. G. - St. Lucie County sale	387
Sisters of St. Joseph - Martin County sale	440
Skinner, Annie - St. Johns County hardship case	196
Smith, Daniel R. - Monroe County sale	2,62
Smith, Dwight - Palm Beach County sale	568
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Smith, Harry A. - Monroe County sale	31
Smith, K. C. - Palm Beach County	452
Sochin, A. L. - Monroe County sale	523
Southern Resin Chemical Co., Columbia County sale	40
Spencer, J. B. - Lake Conway land	35
Sproull, T. A. - Gulf County sale	429
Stamos, Geo.; E. S. Christensen - Dade County contract	188
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Lankford, J. M. - N.G.Archer, Palm Beach County	528
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Taylor, Edward W. - Palm Beach County land	557
Taylor, F. F. & J. D. Gautier - Monroe County sale	364
Taylor, Joel C. - Gulf County sale	428
Taylor, J. W. - Monroe County sale	513
Taylor, T. J. - Monroe County sale	402
Taylor, W. L., & F. B. - Jefferson Co. hardship case	196
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Tendrich, M.; A. J. Cristol - Holmes County sale	240
Teper, Benny - Brevard County contract	95
Thomas, Wm. P. - Orange County sale	101
Thompson, Arch - Pinellas County sale	526
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White, A. B. - Volusia County sale	70, 114
White, D. B. - Monroe County sale	257
White, R. W. - Hernando County hardship case	586
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Harold, Jerome D. - Dade County	297,308
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Radford, W. P. & W. J. Booth - Dade County	355
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White, D. B. - Monroe County sale	221,257
White, E. L. - Governor's Mansion Park property	158,223,238
White, Ruthie W. - Hernando County hardship case	586
Whitehurst, Leon - Homeport Marina dock	456
Whitfield, Wright & Whitfield	
Crawford, Lake Conway land, Orange County	174
Whitfield, W. K. - Snow Beaches, Franklin County	155
Wick, Hosey - Pinellas County land for airport	82
Wiemann, Fred G. - Disclaimer, sale, Palm Beach County	404,443
Wightman (Wm.S.) Rowe & Tanney	
Andrews, E. F. - Permit, Pinellas County	165
Bay Bluffs Estates - Pinellas County	251,274
Hamlin, Horace - Pinellas County	190,235-6
Hollinger, Pick - Gulf County sale	88
Homer, L. H. - Franklin County application	582
McMullen, Fred - Pinellas County sale	251,274
Pinellas County bulkhead line	54
Pinellas County dock permits	482,531
Pinellas County fill	620
Young, M. B. - Bulkhead, sale, Pinellas County	180-1,252
Wilbur, H. R. - Fla. Audubon Society, Palm Beach Co.	464
Wilder, E. W. - Pelican Bay lands	597
Wildermuth, Joe H. - Monroe County sale	252,292
Wilking, Lawrence - Monroe County sale	252,291
Williams, A. Rees - Trustees' personnel	58,399,427
Williams, Haynes E. - Okeechobee County	46,90,139-40,156
Lots sold	212,229,263,273,620

Williams, J. H. - Monroe County land	506,557
Williams, J. L. - PalmBeach County land	492,524
Williams, James T. - Trustees' personnel	49
Williams, R. G. - Quitclaim, Dade County	356
Willis & Goodrich - F. Cipriani, Manatee County	438
Wilson, W. R., & Assoc.	
Ingram, Roy E. - Collier County	357,401
Disclaimer, Collier County	408
Fleischmann, J. - Collier County	563
Wilson, Clara K. - Monroe County land	560,591
Wilson & Wilson, Inc. - Fill permit, Highlands County	123
Wilson, W. H. - Hardship case, Columbia County	189
Wimp, Inc. - Pinellas County land	420,614-5
Winbald Corp. - Dredging denied, Marion County	312
Witherington, T. W. - Fla. Development Commission	469,478
Wittkow, Christian - Dade County land	616
Wittstruck, Glen B. - Fill permit, Manatee County	311
Wohl, Thomas M. - Okeechobee County	488
Wolfe, I. R. - Disclaimer, Manatee County	588
Wolfe, Rosalie & Geraldine - Dade County	358,401,547,475
Wood, Mrs. Lottie - Gadsden County hardship case	224
Wood, W. W. - Fill permit, PalmBeach County	373
Wood & Scheb - S.A. Miller corrective deed	458
Woodland Estates, Inc. - Citrus County permit	501
Woods, Hugh L. - Dade County land	436,467,503
Woodville, Cadwalader - Protest, Monroe County	473
Woodward, Glenn P. - Davis & Semmes disclaimers, St. Johns County	147
Woolin, Martin - Miami Beach Anglers Club	496
Worley, Gautier & Dawes	
Scudder, E.W. & R.B. - Monroe County	484,513
Worrall, Nelle Y. - Dade County land	587,627
Wotitzky & Wotitzky (Leo)	
Blackburn, A. E. - Charlotte County	114
Griggs, Glenn - Sale, Charlotte County	30
Grove City Realty Corp. - Charlotte County	1,61,70,116,208
Wright, Ed C. - Land exchange, Pinellas County	206

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Yarborough, Jess - Dade County bulkhead line	495
Yeamans, Willis H. - Collier County sale	242-3,280
Yeomans, Vada M. - Citrus County disclaimer	117
Yon, D. Peyton - Governor's Mansion Park property	97,158
Young, Harry W. - Disclaimer, sale, fill, Palm Beach County land	403,425,442
Young, Joseph C. - Zinsser protest, Pinellas County	152,173
Young, John W.	
Dredge permit, Pinellas County	359
Green, I. - Land exchange, Pinellas County	561
Young, M. B. - Bulkhead line, sale, Pinellas County	180-1,252

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Zammit, Joseph J. - Disclaimer, sale, Palm Beach	403,442
Zeigler, William J. - Monroe County sale	220,256
Zemel, Abraham - Bulkhead, sale, Lee County	200,240,299
Zewadski - Edith L. - Manatee County land	280
Zewadski, W. K.	
Manatee County land	243
Wallace, P. F. - Pinellas County	525
Zinsser, L. H. - Protest Pinellas County	152,173